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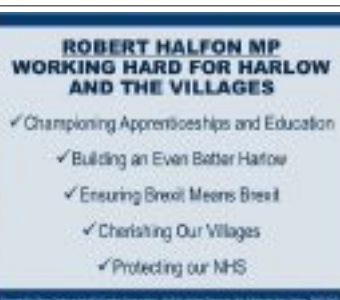
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Sheila Robinson, 72, who is disabled, in her garden in Commonfields, Harlow



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Helping to make birthdays a whole lot happier with a cake

Disadvantaged youngsters who would otherwise go without get a boost from bakers

By Charlotte Page

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A BIRTHDAY cake means a lot when it comes to a child's birthday.

And for the past four years a team of Harlow bakers have been working to provide over 200 cakes to disadvantaged children who may not otherwise get one.

Free Cakes for Kids is a national concept founded in Oxford by Henriette Lundgren in 2008 and over the last ten years has grown to almost 60 baking groups across the country – including one in Harlow.

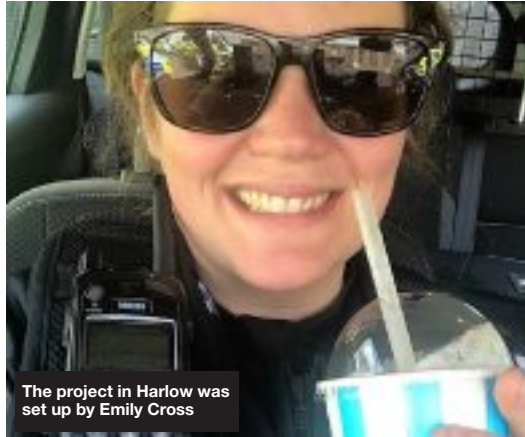
The initiative in Harlow was set up by Emily Cross – a probationary PC for Essex Police, who said she became bored while on maternity leave with her second child.

"I didn't really feel like I was doing anything," she said. "My eldest was three and my youngest was one and it was their birthday coming up – they share a birthday. Because [my eldest] was three, she didn't know birthdays equal birthday presents – all she was excited about was having this big Beauty and the Beast cake."

"So for that party rather than, say, bring presents, we just bring donations for the food bank."

"And it was a really sweet party and it was lovely to hand over this big bundle of food."

"When I realised her interest was more in this cake – not presents. It made me think how



The project in Harlow was set up by Emily Cross

much that kind of element of a birthday means to a kid."

Emily said that by chance she had seen Free Cakes for Kids on Twitter and, knowing how important a birthday cake was to her own daughter, launched the Harlow project at the same time she went back to work.

Free Cakes for Kids Harlow has grown after the last four years and is a team of around 40 bakers, who together have baked more than 200 cakes for children who are referred through organisations that are aware of families in a time of crisis.

The group have occasionally baked birthday cakes for elderly people, although their main focus is to bake for children.

Emily continued: "At the moment we predominantly bake for children in the Safer Places refuges. I think there are three in Harlow but we've also expanded a bit so we cover some children into Hertfordshire and towards Chelmsford as well via Safer Places."

"We get a lot of referrals from the food bank, so if the family have had to depend on a hand out of food within about four to six



The bakers at a cake sale in Harlow Town Park

weeks of the birthday then we would bake a cake for that child if the parent wished."

Birthday cakes made include make-up cakes, dinosaurs, pirates, unicorns and plenty of Disney's Frozen themed cakes – to name just a few.

"There's about 40 bakers – that sounds like a lot but people sometimes only want to bake once whereas some people bake all the time," added Emily.

"We've people who've just done one once and they say they're happy with that and then there's some that are never-ending."

"Free Cakes for Kids is not about a professional cake, it's about hobby bakers making a cake with love in their own kitchen. My favourite cakes are the ones that are obviously homemade but clearly lovely."

Emily says that balancing her work with the police and Free Cakes for Kids can be difficult.

"It is crazy," she said. "It is sometimes very difficult. There's a lot of winging it because I've got two children as well."

"I was late for college one day because I had to drop a cake off and I couldn't find the address."

"So I rang them and said 'I'm just going to be late because I'm trying to deliver this cake and I can't find the house' but they were really happy with the cake afterwards."

Anyone interested in joining the bakers should message them at facebook.com/FreeCakesHarlow or send an email to Freecakesforkidsharlow@yahoo.co.uk

Any organisations that work with families in a time of crisis and can refer children for birthday cakes can contact Free Cakes for Kids Harlow.

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'Loving' 26-year-old enjoyed an evening with friends before his death, inquest told

Tributes paid to dad who drowned in pond

By Charlotte Page

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A HARLOW dad of two spent an evening with friends before he drowned in a woodland pond, an inquest heard.

The body of 26-year-old Billy Mitchell was found in a wooded area of Church End, Harlow, on February 10.

On Monday, July 16, an inquest into Mr Mitchell's death took place at Essex Coroner's Court

in Chelmsford.

The court heard that he had consumed alcohol and drugs – including cocaine – hours before his death.

After leaving a property in Church End between 2.30am and 3am, Mr Mitchell was heading for the main road when he fell into a nearby pond and drowned.

Detective inspector David Browning, of Essex Police, described the area cordoned off by officers as a "small wooded area

with a pond next to it and a bridge".

He added: "[There is] no lighting at all. The time of night when

Billy left the property it would have been dark."

The court heard that Mr Mitchell had "left a warm house [and] gone out into a cold winter's night", where the only lighting would have been from the main road that he was walking towards.

It had also rained that evening and was lightly drizzling when police discovered his body.

Witnesses reported seeing at least four police cars and two ambulances in the residential area in the hours after Mr Mitchell's body was discovered.

Forensic pathologist Dr Benjamin Swift recorded the medical cause of death as drowning, with alcohol and drugs noted as contributing factors.

Officers

A police investigation found no third party involvement, with officers not treating the death as suspicious.

However, the court heard that if "fresh evidence" were to come to light then this would be investigated.

Having heard all the evidence, senior coroner Caroline Beasley-Murray recorded an open conclusion – rejecting both suicide and accident as causes of death.

Mrs Beasley-Murray expressed her condolences and stated that she hoped Mr Mitchell's family could think back to their happy memories with him.

She reiterated the words of Mr Mitchell's mum who said: "He was a very loving, caring, devoted dad and son.

"He had a lot to live for and lived it fully."

A tribute to Billy Mitchell

SPEAKING shortly after Mr Mitchell's death, his brother, Matthew Bengie, said: "Billy was a kind, funny and loving man that would do anything for anyone.

"He was a devoted father to two little boys and would move

mountains to make sure they were happy.

"He dedicated his whole life to his boys, family and friends.

"Billy touched a lot of people's hearts and this has devastated the family and his friends.

"No words can describe how much he'll be missed and nothing will ever fill the void that has hit our lives.

"There won't be a day that goes by that we won't think of you Billy – you'll always be my little brother, we love you."

Billy Mitchell devoted his life to his boys, family and friends



The Essex Police statement following Mr Mitchell's death

a SPOKESPERSON from Essex Police said: "We were called to reports of a man's body in a pond in the Church End area of Harlow at around 10.30am on

Saturday, February 10.

"We attended and, sadly, a man was found deceased. The death is not being treated as suspicious."



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'I just want to be safe' says 72-year-old tenant with series of health problems



Sheila says a wall had fallen on her foot - prompting her son to pile up the bricks at the back of her garden



Sheila, who has mobility problems, is unable to walk on these tiles as they wobble

Cancer sufferer worried over state of council home garden

By Charlotte Page

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AN elderly woman diagnosed with cancer says she has been fighting to fix the "dangerous" garden of her council home which includes a fallen wall, broken tiles and uneven pavement.

Sheila Robinson, 72, who is disabled, moved into her home in Commonfields, Harlow, having moved from her home in Sheppards about seven years ago due to spores on the walls.

Bricks from a fallen wall in the garden have now been stacked up at the back, near a patio that is said to become slippery when wet and tiling that is both broken and wobbly.

The bricks of the walls she said had "dropped off" on her feet, prompting her son, who is also disabled, to move them to the back of the garden.

Sheila claims the uneven surfaces and trying to get out of the front of her property have caused

about £450 worth of damage to her mobility scooter and she is set to receive a replacement next month.

Sheila, who has been diagnosed with malignant breast cancer, suffers from a number of mobility problems including osteoarthritis and bursitis, which means she needs injections in her hip.

She also recently had an operation on her eye on Friday, July 6.

"You can see it's dangerous out here," she said.

"I just want to be safe. I don't want Buckingham Palace - I just want to be safe.

"I've got breast cancer, blood pressure. I've got thyroid, cholesterol, blood clots on my lungs and I take cancer pills of a night.

"I worry about the blood things because if I fall over I could have a bleed and I don't want that."

Sheila added that she has tripped a number of times in her garden but thankfully hasn't had a serious fall.

"I'm supposed to have a handle for the slope - but I've never got one," she said.

"I have tripped lots of times out there but God forbid I've always managed to grab hold of either the shed or somewhere because I am very weak on my feet."

Sheila said a council gardener who had come to cut down an overgrown cherry tree had spotted the dangers - warning her about walking on the tiles.

Tiles

She said: "When he came to take it down he said 'you don't walk on those tiles in the winter'.

"I said 'no they are deadly,' and he said 'please don't because you will fall and smash your head'.

"And that was the gardener - from the council that does the trees."

Alongside the problems in the garden, the front step and her front door are misaligned, meaning all access to and from the

property is via the back gate.

However if the step was corrected, other work would need to be done to the front paving in order to enable Sheila to manoeuvre her mobility scooter to the back gate.

Sheila said she has been in touch "week in, week out" with Harlow Council to ask for help making the garden safer.

And although initially she said she was told the front and the back would be done, she has claimed she was later told there was not enough money for both.

She continued: "I had a letter recently saying they [the council] would be doing the back and the front.

"The man came out of the blue and he said we're not doing the back and I said 'what do you mean, you're not doing the back? It's dangerous.'"

"Anyway he turned it round the other way - he can't do the front now, but he can concrete just a little bit of the back."

Harlow Council, according to Sheila, has offered to concrete a flat square for her mobility scooter - but not the rest of the garden or the front area.

"This isn't my property I don't want something posh, I just want something safe for me in the home," she added.

"I'm a fighter - I like to fight for things that are right because there's only ever been me so I've always had to fight my own corner.

Unfair

"But when the next person moves in I don't want them to have to put up with what I've put up with because it's unfair."

She added: "I wouldn't want them to go through what I'm going through.

"All I want to do is lay on the settee and shut myself in.

"This is how I've become, my neighbour always says 'I didn't think you was in'.

"I'm sat here with the curtains

and everything drawn because I want to shut the world out."

A spokesman for Harlow Council said: "We treat the health and safety of our tenants very seriously.

"We have advised Sheila to contact Essex County Council Adult Social Care so a qualified occupational therapist can assess the front of the property and make suitable recommendations for improvement.

"This is a service the county council provide and residents can self-refer to the service.

"Much of the landscaping within the rear garden has not been provided by the council, therefore it is unlikely that we will be able to carry out any work.

"However we will consider any recommendations made or concerns noted by the occupational therapist.

"A housing officer will contact Sheila and they will visit her to provide any further advice and assistance she may need."

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Shut pub will be reopened

THERE are plans to reopen a popular Harlow pub as soon as possible under a new operator.

The new owners of the Drinker Moth, which is currently closed, aim to reopen the establishment soon following a refurbishment.

Pictures of the pub on Ployters Road show its windows and door boarded up with metal sheet after it closed last month.

Concerns had been expressed that the closure of the pub, which opened in 1970 and was jointly operated by Trumans and McMullens, would "deprive local residents".

Secretary of Herts & Essex Borders CAMRA (Campaign for Real Ale) Graham Darby said: "The closure of the Drinker Moth will deprive local residents of a popular amenity.

"The Drinker Moth was also a venue for local bands with regular music nights.

"With its closure this leaves the



The Drinker Moth

nearest pub as The Herald (Broadley Road, Summers) as the nearest pub - approximately a 20-minute walk away."

A spokeswoman for Ei Publican Partnerships, a leading leased and tenanted pub business, said: "We can confirm that the Drinker Moth, Harlow, is currently closed whilst we carry out refurbishment works.

"We would like to reassure members of the local community that we aim to reopen this site with a new operator as soon as possible."

Burst water main causes travel chaos on roads as schools shut



Flooding in Second Avenue Harlow last Thursday

By Charlotte Page

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A BURST water main caused travel disruption and forced school closures in Harlow on Thursday of last week (July 12).

The burst main along Second Avenue, close to the residential area of Great Brays, led to flooding of the roads coming off the roundabout, including Howard Way – where Harlow Rugby Club is situated.

Pictures from the scene show both the roads and pathways completely flooded.

Following a technician assessment at about 7.30am, a repair team was called to restore water supplies.

During this time nearby residents were asked not to use electrical appliances that required a water supply while work was under way and people were asked to conserve water from storage



Roads and paths in Harlow were completely flooded

tanks. Residents in Great Brays said that their water supply was limited, with some filling up pots and pans with water as a precaution.

Mrs Quick, 80, said: "I am getting just a little drop. I didn't know about it until I went to fill up the kettle."

"It's coming out very slowly." Similarly, Smile Montessori pre-school in Bush Fair, Holy

Cross Catholic Primary Academy and Pear Tree Mead Academy were forced to close due to the problem.

However Pear Tree Mead announced later in the morning that they were reopening and that children were being brought into school.

A spokesperson for Affinity Water said: "Where it has been necessary to excavate the area we will continue to work with local highways authorities to return the road surface area to normal and ensure that the road or footway is safe for all vehicle and pedestrian traffic."

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Application is submitted for affordable housing on parking area and open land

Bid to build 16 new homes on old garage site

By Charlotte Page

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A PLAYING field and former garage site could be used to develop a cluster of council housing if plans are to be approved.

A plan has been submitted to build residential homes at a former garage site off Tawneys Road, between Harlow's Bushey Croft and Rushes Mead, which backs onto an open area of land.

The plan is for 16 affordable homes comprising of six two-bedroom and ten three-bedroom houses on the land between Bushey Croft and Rushes Mead.

Harlow Council commissioned Architecture and Design Services Ltd in March 2012 to explore the development potential of a number of redundant garage sites in providing additional housing.

Architecture and Design Services Ltd then produced two "feasibility studies" detailing two proposals.



The planning document reads: "The first of these options set out a proposal to develop just the area of hard-standing which forms the footprint of the old garage site and the second option encompassed the open land beyond the site."

Both sites are said to be "acceptable in principle" although various comments have been made about the design and detail of the proposed developments.

Pre-application advice has

revealed that building on the garage land alone is problematic and could prejudice future development on the land behind it.

As part of a policy included in the Adopted Replacement Plan, it states that planning permission on a site such as this will be granted if three criteria are met.

These include not having an unacceptable adverse effect on the character of the locality, street scene and amenities.



Similarly that off-street parking and access arrangements can be provided for existing and proposed dwellings in line with the Essex Design Guide and adopted Vehicle Parking Standards.

And finally that the development does not prejudice the potential for the development of adjacent land.

While it would result in the removal of unallocated parking, option one has been discarded in

favour of developing the whole site – subject to further development to address comments.

But a large unallocated parking provision at the front of the site is expected to be retained.

The former garage site is used for parking – particularly by parents and carers of the nearby William Martin C of E Junior, Infant and Nursery School.

While the suggested development is seen within the wider

character of Bushey Croft and Rushes Mead and will respond to its character, the new housing would have its own sense of identity, according to the application.

The proposal concludes: "The development would make good use of the site providing additional, formal, parking to help address an existing under provision whilst also creating a small cluster of attractive, council owned, family homes."

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Women with no screen experience wanted for roles in new BBC feature film

Never acted? This could be your big break

By Narbeh Minassian

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CASTING agents are looking specifically for women with no acting experience around Waltham Cross and Harlow for a BBC feature film.

Camera crews are set to descend on Harlow for the shooting of the film and the director wants the actors to be from the surrounding areas.

Two women aged between 24 and 35 are wanted to play lead roles and Waltham Cross is being targeted as a key location for talent spotting.

Lara Manwaring, who is heading up the search for potential actresses, told the Mercury: "We are not looking for professional actresses – we are specifically looking for non-actors so no acting experience whatsoever is necessary."

"This particular director [of the film] always works with non-act-

ors and the aim would be to cast women who are as close to the characters in the script to make it as authentic as possible."

Lara could not reveal details of the feature film, but she did describe it as a drama centred around two best friends that could get a cinematic release.

The director's name cannot be revealed yet, but the Mercury understands it is an award-winning director who prefers to work with people from the area.

Authenticity

"It's about that authenticity," Lara said. "And I would not rule out anyone, if you are between 24 and 35 then you have a shot. It's fine if you are shy and you don't need any experience at all."

Lara has had a history of being involved in finding unknown talent and transforming them into lead actors. Tom Sweet had never acted before but starred alongside Robert Pattinson in The Child-

hood Of A Leader; after a casting team Lara was a part of spotted him.

They also picked out much of the cast of London drug gang drama Top Boy by visiting schools in east London.

Other big-name projects have included the BBC's Gunpowder with Kit Harrington and War Machine with Brad Pitt.

The job will be 'really well paid', Lara told the Mercury. The two women picked will be best friends on camera.

■ To apply, interested residents should send in a recent photo and contact details to assistant@lara-manwaring.com.

Initially, successful applicants will have a "quick chat" on camera with Lara before going any further.

There are likely to be several stages to the process, but Lara emphasised any women with any personality and background can apply.

"This director always works with non-actors and is aiming to cast women close to the characters"

Lara Manwaring

Lara Manwaring has worked on films starring Brad Pitt, Kit Harrington and Robert Pattinson

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Firearms arrest made



Minchen Road, Harlow

POLICE were called to a disturbance in Harlow at the weekend which saw the arrest of a man suspected of making threats to kill and possession of a firearm.

Officers were called to Long Banks at around 2.50pm on Sunday after receiving reports that a man had threatened a woman and was possibly in possession of a firearm.

He was arrested after being located close to The Stow in Minchen Road. However, he was later released without charge.

Disturbance

A spokesman from Essex Police said: "We arrested a man on suspicion of making threats to kill and possession of firearms offences following a disturbance in Long Banks, Harlow, at around 2.50pm yesterday, Sunday, July 15.

"We received reports that a man had threatened a woman and was possibly in possession of a firearm.

"He was located in Minchen Road, Harlow, at around 4.50pm and arrested.

"He has since been released without charge.

"We also executed a warrant at an address in Blackbush Spring, Harlow, and located two air rifles."

Annual 'celebration of a thriving town' will feature family fun Fresh sounds and produce at community's fifth Farm Fest

By Charlotte Page

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FARM Fest will return to Harlow for the fifth year running this summer and is set to welcome local musicians to the stage in an event aiming to bring the community together.

Taking to the stage will be the young musicians of Harlow Rock School, as well as Ian Treherne, Electric Catnip and the Valaitis brothers.

For those looking to be creative there will be henna art, face-painting, jewellery making, rock painting, headdress making workshops and old-fashioned games.

There is plenty to choose from

when it comes to food and the barbecue has meat sourced from the local Churchgate Sausage Shop.

Vegetarian options will also be available and the farm kitchen will be serving up a range of vegan food, including curry and chilli using vegetables grown at the farm.

Organic

If you're looking to take some fresh produce home, The Farm Shop will be selling a range of jams, oils, teas, herbs and beauty products.

The event will run from noon until 6pm, but that doesn't mean the celebrations are over, with an after-party due to be held at

Phoenix Live from 7pm.

Local DJs Superfly and musicians Dan Thomas, Jedd Martin and Shambles will also be performing, with the entrance fee set at just £3.

Organiser Elliot Wollen said: "We are looking forward to our fifth ever Farm Fest.

"Last year was our busiest year ever and we hope to engage the local community again with a lovely day out to bring families and friends together in a beautiful environment.

"We have a lot to celebrate as our town is thriving and we feel we have our part to play by promoting environmental sustainability, organic food growing and giving a chance to local musicians



Music was the name of the day at last year's Farm Fest

and people wanting to have a fun day out."

All proceeds raised will go towards furthering the work of the community farm, including its work with local schools, community groups and providing fresh produce to homeless charity Streets 2 Homes. Farm Fest is free and takes place on Saturday, August 11, from noon until 6pm at Herts & Essex Community Farm

in Farm Croft, Harlow, CM20 1SE.

Guests are encouraged to arrive on foot or by public transport as there is only limited parking available at the nearby St Thomas More Church on Hodings Road.

The after-party will take place at Phoenix Live, in the former TSB building, at 15-17 West Gate, Harlow.



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Neon wigs, jazzy leggings and tutus were the order of Hospice's new fundraiser sees walkers out in colourful gear

By **Charlotte Page**
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THE streets of Harlow were brightened this weekend as a new fundraiser saw families come together sporting rainbow wigs, luminous tutus and patterned suits for a 5k walk.

More than 150 people from across West Essex and East Herts joined in the Go Bright Walk event on Saturday in aid of St Clare Hospice – a charity providing care for people affected by life-limiting illnesses.

Starting in The Water Gardens at 11am, the vibrant parade of participants braved the sizzling temperatures to take on the stroll around the town dressed in rainbow attire and adorned with bright accessories.

Harlow Clubbercise led a warm-up and the talented young

people of Harlow Rock School also performed on the main stage.

Participants and spectators were kept entertained all day with stalls, fairground games and treats to keep children of all ages amused.

Harlow-based covers band Fubar also performed later in the afternoon.

It is hoped that the hospice event will have raised more than £10,000 once all the sponsorship money has been collected.

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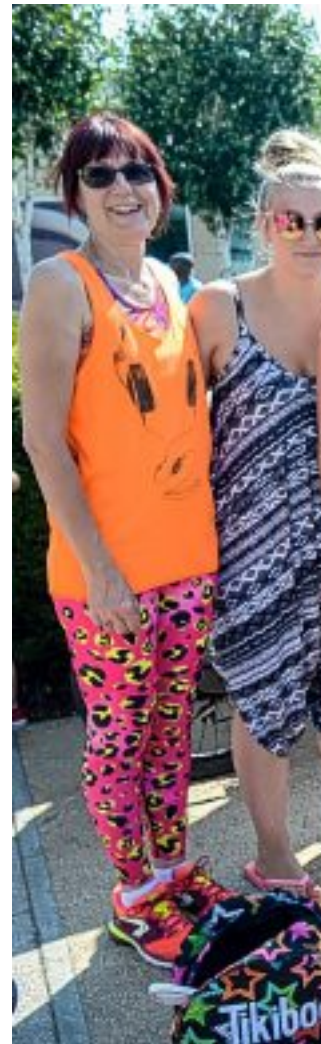
Emma Broadbent, St Clare challenges and events fundraiser, said: "The local community has once again stepped up in support of its local hospice charity, this time supporting our brand new family 5k with a fantastic festival and party attitude."

"Our first cohort of Go Bright Walkers did the hospice proud – with dozens of families turning up to support our biggest summer fundraiser and helping to raise thousands of pounds of vital funding so we can continue providing our incredible care."

"A huge, warm-hearted thank you goes out from the St Clare family to each and every person who took part in our event, as well as to the dozens of dedicated volunteers and local businesses who provided us with their support on the day."

"We are so grateful to the Water Gardens which hosted the event for us and let us hold our festival 5k in style."

"We had a fantastic day raising awareness of the amazing work that St Clare does and remembering our loved ones who have brightened our lives."



the day at the town's popular newest charity event

Some great scenes from the St Clare Hospice Bright Walk at Harlow Water Gardens, which capture the full flavour of the event

Photos: VIKKI LINCSE



Passmores Academy welcomes speakers with ideas worth spreading from as far

Inspirational talks given by young people 'of courage and integrity'

By Charlotte Page

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TWENTY-FIVE young speakers took to the stage this weekend to deliver a variety of inspirational talks as part of a Tedx Youth conference.

The event, held on Sunday (July 15), was the second of its kind for Passmores Academy as the school welcomed speakers from as far away as Washington to Harlow.

TED is a non-profit organisation devoted to 'ideas that are worth spreading', although this Tedx event was organised independently of TED.

The theme of the event was Making Connections and aimed to explore our relationships with not only each other, but ourselves, places and the world around us.

Sixth form student Kayleigh Peplow-Wolf spoke of human connection – in particular the connection between parents and babies.

She also spoke of how people today would rather fake a phone call than smile at a stranger.

Meanwhile Ellie Callaghan discussed the Year of the Woman and questioned why women's football such as the recent ladies Chelsea vs Arsenal match failed to get as much recognition as the men's game.

Truth

Other topics of conversation included changing the way we think about beauty from Abigail Seymour, the connection between place and university from Jake Shepherd and Louise Turner discussed the impacts that lying can have.

She said: "The truth doesn't cost anything but one lie can cost you everything."

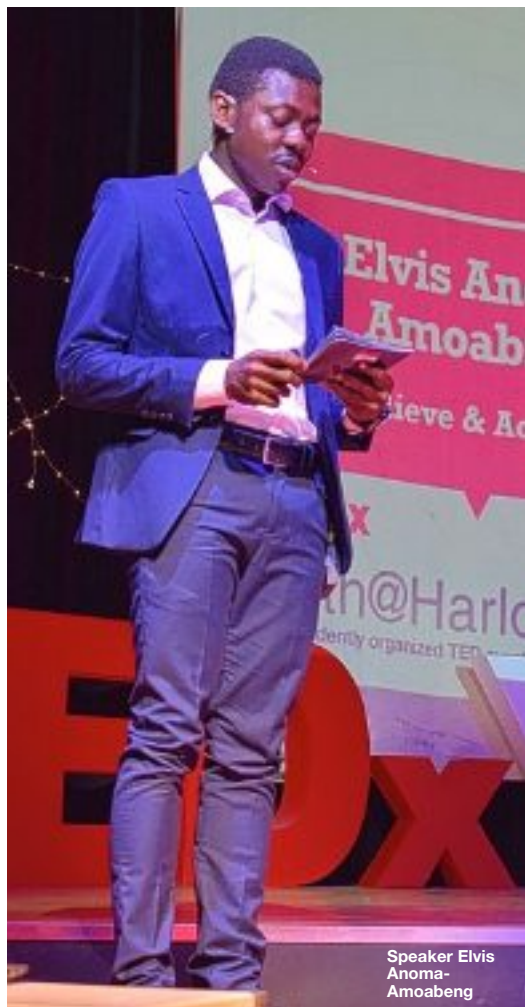
The youngest speakers included primary school pupil Gabriel Cusick, who spoke of the connection between success and failure and how sometimes failure is important.

Purford Green Primary School pupil Ella Miller spoke of the cruelties of battery farming.

Travelling by far the furthest was Eunice Ko, who came all the way from Washington especially for the event.

Her topic was Healing the Wounded and she discussed how we should surround ourselves with things and people that make us feel positive.

She said that improving our relationships with others



Speaker Elvis Anoma-Amoabeng

improves our relationships with ourselves.

Tedx Youth was hosted by Ian Gilbert – an award-winning author and editor. As a leading educational speaker he was named as one of IB magazine's top 15 education visionaries.

The action was all captured by graphic recorder and visual artist Rebecca Osbourne, who visually presented each of the speaker's main points through drawing as a way to aid understanding and

enhance memory.

Anna Szpakowska, Passmores teacher and one of the organising team, said: "Despite the stifling heat, TEDxYouth@Harlow2018 was a resounding success.

"We had beautiful food and coffee, fantastic stalls but most of all the young people spoke with courage and integrity.

"They totally surpassed our expectations."

For more information visit tedxyouthharlow.com



The entire Tedx Youth team involved in Sunday's event



The TEDx organising team

away as Washington as part of Tedx Youth Conference



Speaker Ellie Callaghan



Event artist Rebecca Osbourne recorded the speeches through drawing



Speaker Maria Omer



Dale Guyton, who was part of the backstage team, playing the guitar for guests

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One of the 13 categories up for grabs at this year's ceremony is the Family Business of the Year award which will be presented to a business which has showcased continual success whilst still upholding the values that are so important in any family business.

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She continued: "We have a strong commitment to corporate social responsibility and diversity. Involvement in local high-profile business events, being a long-standing supporter and sponsor of Essex County Cricket Club and The Lord's Taverners as well as numerous other events and activities. We have many long-established relationships with intermediaries in the Essex marketplace across banking, legal and other leading professionals."

RSM is always looking to the future and Dawn explained: "RSM aim to be the first-choice provider to the middle market. Our Chelmsford office delivers a high-quality service through a broad range of services directly relevant to the local market. A high proportion of our team have been with RSM for over 10 years providing continuity and a deep understanding of our client's business and strategic objectives. We have ambitions plans to assist more Essex businesses, ensuring they receive the advice and relationship they deserve. This growth

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RSM partner Dawn Lay-Flurrie says Essex is a county of entrepreneurs

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Birthday Greetings		Bereavements		Bereavements		Bereavements			
<p>LADY IS 50</p> <p>ADAMSON Lesley</p> <p>Happy 50th Birthday to the best wife in the world. Have a lovely day</p> <p>Love Graham & Scooby</p> <p>50th</p>		<p>To make a donation for a loved one resting with</p> <p>DANIEL ROBINSON & SONS</p> <p>you can make a donation by visiting the In Memory pages at www.drobinson.co.uk</p>		<p>John Edward CHATHAM</p> <p>Passed away peacefully on 27th June 2018, aged 91 years. Beloved Husband of Hanna, Father to Sarah, Susanna, Joanna & Edward and Grandfather to Katie, Alex & Caspar.</p> <p>Funeral service to be held at St Michael's Church, Bishop's Stortford on Monday 23rd July at 2.00pm.</p> <p>Family flowers only please but donations may be made in John's memory to Médecins Sans Frontières using the In Memory Page at www.drobinson.co.uk or cheques made payable to the charity may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, 79/81 South Street, Bishop's Stortford, CM23 3AL. 01279 655477</p>		<p>HOBBS Sue (née Banks)</p> <p>It is with great sadness we wish to announce the passing of our dear Mum, Sue Hobbs, née Banks. Sue passed away peacefully on 3rd July 2018 at Peterborough City Hospital.</p> <p>Much loved Mum, Grandmother, Aunt, Wife and Daughter. Mum lived much of her life in Old Harlow and in the New Town from the 1960's she worked as a florist and manager in the Town Centre for Chapman's and then before she retired for Homebase looking after her beloved plants.</p> <p>Mum moved from Harlow in 2015 to be closer to family and enjoyed her retirement in her lovely bungalow in Lincolnshire.</p> <p>Sue will be laid to rest in Lincolnshire on 10th August 2018 at 11am at South Lincolnshire Crematorium, Gosberton Road, Surfleet, Lincolnshire PE11 4AA.</p> <p>Family flowers only please, we will be asking for donations to a charity for mum on the day and for all enquiries please contact Scholes Undertakers Bourne 01778 394687.</p> <p>From Sarah, Emma and the Hobbs Family</p>		<p>Raymond Thomas MORGAN 'Ray'</p> <p>Passed away peacefully in Queen's Hospital, Romford on the 13th July 2018. He will be deeply missed by his wife Mavis, family, friends and all who knew him. Ray's funeral service will be held at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Friday 27th July 2018 at 2.30pm. Family flowers only please but donations for the British Heart Foundation may be sent to Daniel Robinson & Sons, 3 Bullfields, Sawbridgeworth CM21 9DB Telephone 01279-722476 Alternatively, please visit our In Memory pages at www.drobinson.co.uk</p>	
<p>Exam & Graduation Honours</p> <p>Masters Degree</p> <p>BALDWIN Jack</p> <p>Congratulations, well done, on achieving your Maths Masters Degree. Every good wish for the future. With all our love, Nan, Grandad, Natasha (Tosh), Uncle Richard, Auntie Marianne, Noah and Elliot. xxxxxx</p>		<p>Richard CONWAY</p> <p>Passed away peacefully on Saturday 30th June 2018 aged 92 years.</p> <p>The Funeral will take place Thursday 19th July at Church of Assumption, Old Harlow at 11.00am.</p> <p>Therese, Terry, Marianne and Andrew invite you to join them at Harlow Cricket Club (Marigolds) after the interment at Sawbridgeworth Cemetery.</p> <p>For all details contact F J Pinnock & Son. 01279 422123</p>		<p>Lilian MURPHY</p> <p>Lilian Murphy passed away on 3rd July 2018.</p> <p>Loved Mum, Nan and Great-nan.</p> <p>You will be missed x</p>		<p>Sarah READER "Sally"</p> <p>Sadly, passed away on 12th July 2018, aged 84 years. Will be missed by family and friends.</p> <p>Funeral service to be held at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Monday 23rd July at 10.00am. Flowers are welcome.</p> <p>Donations may be made in Sally's memory to Alzheimer's Research UK using the 'In Memory' Page at www.drobinson.co.uk or cheques made payable to the charity may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, 79/81 South Street, Bishop's Stortford, CM23 3AL. 01279 655477.</p>			
<p>Masters Degree</p> <p>BALDWIN JACK</p> <p>Congratulations on achieving a 2:1 in your Masters Degree in Mathematics from the University of Warwick. We are so proud of you. Lots of love from, Mum, Dad and Megan. xxx</p>		<p>LEAVE A LOVING MESSAGE ONLINE COMPLETELY FREE OF CHARGE</p> <p>Today, tomorrow, all my life, I will love and miss you mum x</p> <p>Thank you for the many good times we shared xxxx</p>		<p>DYMPNA MARIE IVORY</p> <p>On the 3rd July 2018, aged 67 years Dympna Ivory passed away unexpectedly. The beloved Wife of Max, a dear Mum to Keith, Alan, Denise and Del and a wonderful and loving Nanny to her 10 Grandchildren. She is sorely missed by her Brothers and Sisters and all her family and Friends. R.I.P. Dympna will be received into Our Lady of Fatima RC Church on Sunday 22nd July 2018, 4 pm. Her Requiem Mass will be held on Monday 23rd July 2018 at 1.00 pm followed by Cremation at Parndon Wood Crematorium. Family flowers only please, donations, if desired, to be divided between St Clare Hospice and the Essex Air Ambulance. Cheques made payable to Charities Account. All further enquiries and donations to Masterson Funeral Home Ltd, Independent and Family Owned Funeral Directors, Station Road, Old Harlow, Essex. CM17 0AS. Tel: 01279 626238.</p> <p>No dress code, black is optional MASTERTON FUNERAL HOME LTD</p>		<p>Elsie ROBINSON</p> <p>Passed away after a short illness on 2nd July 2018 aged 88 years. Much loved Mum of Linda and Suzanne, much loved Nan to Louise and Thomas and all family & friends.</p> <p>The funeral service will take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Friday 27th July at 1.00pm. Family flowers only Donations if desired to "St Clare Hospice" may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow CM20 1QP Or via web In memory page www.drobinson.co.uk</p>			
<p>Bereavements</p> <p>Theodore Adrian BOLWERK</p> <p>Passed away on 26th June 2018 aged 85 years. He will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.</p> <p>The funeral service will take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Wednesday 1st August at 1.00pm.</p> <p>Flowers welcome or donations to "St Clare Hospice" may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow, CM20 1QP or visit our In memory Page www.drobinson.co.uk</p>		<p>MAUREEN WINIFRED GREEN</p> <p>Passed away surrounded by her loving family on July 8th 2018 aged 87 years. Loving wife of Mike (deceased). Maureen was for many years the Landlady of the Queen's Head Public House, Stansted. She will be sorely missed by all those who knew and loved her.</p> <p>Funeral service to be held at West Suffolk Crematorium on Monday July 30th at 2.30pm.</p> <p>Family flowers only but donations if desired in memory of Maureen for the Colney Centre may be sent c/o Rosedale Funeral Home, Yard House, High Street, Attleborough NR17 2EH or via the Much Loved memorial site at www.rosedalefuneralhome.co.uk</p>		<p>Colin Michael LENIHAN</p> <p>Passed away peacefully on 3rd July 2018 aged 60, in St Clare's Hospice. Dearly loved by all who knew him, a family man and wonderful friend.</p> <p>Colin's Funeral service will be at held at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Monday 23rd July 2018 at 1.45pm.</p> <p>Family flowers only and donations to St Clare's Hospice, Williams Day Unit, and the Sarah Cannon Clinic, may be sent to F J Pinnock & Son, 10 Bush House, Bush Fair, Harlow, CM18 6NS.</p>		<p>SHILTON Eileen</p> <p>Sadly passed away peacefully on Friday 29th June 2018 at Ashlar House Nursing Home, Epping at the grand age of 93 years. Our beloved Mum and Nan will be dearly missed by all her family and special friends.</p> <p>A private family funeral service will take place followed by a Thanksgiving Service to be held at St Mary The Virgin Church, Matching at 12.45pm on Thursday 26th July 2018. Donations if desired made payable to Helen Rollason Cancer Charity sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, 146 High Street, Epping, CM16 4AG also In Memory Page at www.drobinson.co.uk (Tel: 01992 560890).</p>			

Bereavements

Dennis WICKINGS

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Matthew & Natasha

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**Anthony John THOMSON**
Tony

Jenny, Jo and Ju wish to express their sincere
thanks to everyone who attended Tony's
celebration and thanksgiving service. For the
abundance of wonderful cards and messages of
sympathy and kind donations to St Clare Hospice.

A special thank you to Reverend Dave Welch for
conducting the service of remembrance
and to Philip Clegg of Daniel Robinson & Son
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RONALD McKENZIE

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late Ronald McKenzie
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Sawbridgeworth on
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Loved and missed so very
much. God Bless. RIP.

Love from all the family x

Ted PEACOCK
22/07/2013

A daily thought,
a silent tear,
a constant wish
that you were
still here.

Loved and
remembered
everyday, in my
heart you will
always stay.

Love Dianne
xxx

TUCKER Kathleen — Our very
dear Mum and Nanny, eight years
without you now. We love and miss
you so much everyday, in
everything we do. Lots of love from
all your family. xxxxxx

Rose Ellen (Nell) DAWSON

17th July 2009

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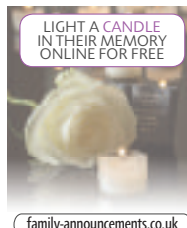
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YOUR VIEWS

V2 rockets fell near to our town

HAVING read the article on page 20 of July 5.

I think there is some confusion as I can remember that there were in fact two rockets fell on different dates, the first was the one that fell in Parndon Woods this where the Crematorium is now located and I visited that site shortly after it had exploded, access was from Rye Hill Road.

This was allegedly to have been the very first V2 to have been fallen.

The second fell in the cricket field at Great Parndon the location being between the Three Horse Shoes Public House and The Priory. To the best of memory there were no injuries in either case, but

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I can remember that there were in fact two rockets fell on different dates

Michael Patrick

surrounding houses suffered damage to roofs, windows etc.

Michael Patrick
Via email

Harlow Talking Newspaper

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WE WISH the supporters and readers of the Harlow Talking Newspaper to know that after 19 years Anne Oval has retired from her chairmanship, with much praise and appreciation from all the listeners and the Volunteers who create and distribute the HTN every week.

At the 38th AGM on June 2 Mike and Mary Hayter, who have been committee members, readers, editors and technicians for the last 14 years were unanimously elected as our co-chairpersons. They are well equipped to take us into our 40th year.

Yes - in September 2019 the Harlow Talking Newspaper will have been providing the news from our local paper in an audible

form for the local VIPs. (Visually Impaired People.) For 40 years.

All the work is carried out by volunteers during Thursdays at the Harlow Central Library and a copy of the HTN is delivered Free to all our listeners every Friday for 50 weeks each year.

The Committee thanks all our volunteers for their time and efforts and as an organisation wholly funded by gifts and donations, we thank the residents of Harlow who give so generously, directly or at our collections days in the town, enabling us to provide this valuable service.

If you know of a blind or visually impaired person who would like to receive and listen to the local news

from the Star each week or feel you could offer us some of your time to produce it contact us by letter via the Harlow Central Library or email to: mtjhayter@waitrose.com

Jenny Lushington
Vice chairperson HTN

Win a breakfast club donation

SCHOOLS in your area can be in with the chance of winning £1,000 for their pre-school club to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Kellogg's supporting breakfast clubs in the UK.

Schools are invited to enter the annual Kellogg's Breakfast Club

Breakfast Clubs provide many benefits; from improved attendance and attainment to tackling hunger in the morning and providing pre-school care. A specialist panel of judges will hand-pick the entries and the winners will be announced on Monday October 29.

Over the last 20 years Kellogg's has supported breakfast clubs, offering funding, food and training to more than 3,000 clubs across the UK.

To find out more and to submit a Breakfast Club Awards entry, visit: www.KelloggsBreakfastClubAwards.co.uk
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WEBCHAT

■ **RICHARD BACON IS 'FIGHTING FOR HIS LIFE' AFTER BEING DIAGNOSED WITH PNEUMONIA IN BOTH LUNGS:**

Shocker he's not an old guy or anything!
JP Oakes

■ **US PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP HAS LANDED AT STANSTED AIRPORT:**

Just passed him on M11.. opposite side and people are slowing to a stop to look
Kelly Edwards

Was watching all the activities from my bedroom while sewing lol.
Karen Mitchell

Welcome to the UK Sir Trump x
Trula Talland

Flew over my home.
Elaine Lloyd

■ **ESSEX WEATHER: STORM CHRIS COULD END HEATWAVE AS HURRICANE WINDS**

BATTER THE COUNTRY:

Soon it will be 'hate this cold weather.' So I never moan about the heat!
Janet Piper

I don't but my grass does lol.
Jo Wilson

Yes we need some rain.
Mollie Clements

Yes please x
Diane Thomas

■ **LIVE M11 TRAFFIC UPDATES AS MULTI-VEHICLE CRASH**

BLOCKS ROAD BY STANSTED AIRPORT WITH 15-MILE QUEUES:

We're just approaching the M11 stuck now for I don't know how long.
Sandra Hanger

Always a Friday!
Janet Piper

Nightmare!
Pauline Quant

And it's so hot.
Mollie Clements

■ **'UK DISNEYLAND' NEAR ESSEX UPDATES**

HUGE PLANS FOR DEVELOPMENT:

Lol they need sort the road network out first. That area is really bad.
Craig 'Ravein' Wright

The traffic round there is horrendous already, it already cannot cope. Accidents everyday what happens when the bridge shuts as it does quite often.
Jackie Miller

Oh great! More reason for M25 to become gridlocked.
Janet Piper

That won't work!
Tina Clark

■ **FLYING ANT DAY 2018: WHAT IS IT AND HOW TO GET RID OF THEM:**

Horrible things what do they do they don't contribute to anything.
Warren Millard

I had them yesterday....*shudder*
Brenda Nichols



The park could open in 2023 if all plans are approved (Image: London Resort)



Oli Morton
Kellogg's managing director

Supporting the RNIB

I MAY not look it but I'm celebrating a big birthday this month, turning 70.

After many happy years as the mascot for the Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB), I would love it if instead of giving me birthday gifts, people would volunteer to raise money for the charity.

RNIB, which is celebrating its 150th anniversary this year, is looking for people who have a few hours to spare each week to distribute collection boxes in the shape

of me.

Popular locations for these "Sooty boxes" include pubs, petrol stations and supermarkets – anywhere that people may be inspired to donate their loose change to a worthy cause.

The money raised will do lots of good things, making sure RNIB can keep providing information and emotional support to people with sight loss, as well as practical advice and services like the charity's Talking Books library.

By becoming a Sooty box collector, you'll help RNIB continue to provide these invaluable services making every day better for people with sight loss across the UK.

You can find out more

about volunteering as a Sooty box collector for RNIB by visiting www.rnib.org.uk/sooty

Thank you for reading and an even bigger thank you if you've been inspired to sign up as a volunteer!

Sooty
By email

We need to talk about death

DEATH is an incredibly emotive topic and unsurprisingly, people don't always know how to broach the subject.

The older you get, the more aware you become of death and, older people do want to talk about death, but

their adult children often feel uncomfortable about it.

As a nation, we need to start embracing these conversations and promote a positive change in how we perceive and talk about this subject. But it's time to take action, be brave and talk about death, and we want residents to join us.

You can find out more about Independent Age's 'We need to talk about death' campaign, watch our new film, and get some tips on how to start the conversation by visiting independentage.org/TalkAboutDeath, or by searching #TalkAboutDeath on Twitter.

If you would like to arrange to speak to someone

about planning for the end of life or the practical side of coping with a bereavement, call the free helpline on 0800

319 6789.
Janet Morrison
Chief Executive of Independent Age

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PHOTO
of the week

Blossoming flowers in Harlow,
taken by Kristaps Abeinieks

TALKING POINT

How can we prepare for the reality of Brexit?

THE BIG QUESTION:

How can local council's get ready for the implications of Brexit?



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UKIP

BREXIT can provide a platform for local councils to advocate for greater powers and better funding deals. This point is especially important considering the proposed changes to business rates. Under current plans, local government is to become more economically 'self-sufficient', with the government planning to terminate local authorities' Revenue Support Grant by 2020 and implementing 100 per cent business rates retention. This will mean that local councils will directly rely on the business rates from local businesses.

In its manifesto, the Government pledged to create a UK Shared Prosperity Fund to replace the money local areas currently receive from the European Union. Much of the debate on the impact of Brexit on local government

has rightly focussed on EU funding. But there are a whole host of other areas that are likely to impact on how local government functions after we leave the European Union.

For example, just the other week the LGA highlighted that leaving the EU gave the UK the opportunity to improve current food labelling legislation. By making traffic light labelling on food and drink mandatory after Brexit, we could help people make more informed choices. This would help tackle the obesity crisis we face as a nation.

Good air quality is vital for our health and quality of life as well as the environment. Air pollution is linked to 40,000 early deaths in the UK each year, so it is imperative that the UK target must be at least as ambitious as those in the EU. Meanwhile, changing rules around



Jesse Pryke

procurement would see cuts to red tape, freeing up time and money for councils to invest in their local communities. It might also induce more Small and Medium Enterprises to bid for funding, many were put off in the past by the complexity of the process.

LABOUR

HARLOW Council is aware that Brexit will impact on our services in a number of ways. Currently, there are strict rules about contracting services. If services are outside the scope of the new arrangements with the EU, this could make things easier for us to deliver quality services directly and that is something we will welcome.

A concern however is employment conditions. Harlow Council is a major employer. The EU has provided a framework to protect workers, such as paid holidays, limited hours of work and pension rights. Many Tory MPs have indicated that they would like to tear up these rules once we leave the EU. I fear that in the long term, a council of a different political persuasion could enforce very different employment conditions on workers. After all, when the Tories last controlled Harlow

Council they froze pay for three years and in the fourth year cut staff pay without consultation.

Our public sector is heavily reliant on migrant workers, as is our building industry. If we have fewer migrant workers, we're going to need to replace them. This presents an opportunity to upskill domestic workers, but we must ensure that they have decent routes into trades. HTS which was set up by Harlow Council has six apprentices and this will soon increase to ten. We'll need every business to take this kind of responsibility.

I'm concerned about how our town will benefit financially when we leave. The Government has committed us to pay the EU £16 billion a year until 2021 and then £40 billion more as compensation. In Harlow, we need money for essential services, but we've already had £21 million cut from our



Mike Denvers

budget by central government. It's becoming so bad that the Conservatives at County Council have given up on repairing Harlow's roads.

Two years on, this Government has dealt with Brexit negotiations like a crab wearing handcuffs. The split in the Conservative Party following resignations of Davis and Johnson leaves us unsure about the future. However, residents can be assured that we'll fight to get the best deal possible out of these uncertain times.

GREEN PARTY

THEY cannot properly of course, like every other organisation in the UK, because no one, including the Government, seems to know what is happening. After all, the 58 assessments on the impact of Brexit on all aspects of British life have been available to MPs in Parliament, in a special reading room, since February. But only 86 MPs have bothered to go and read them, as disclosed to Gina Miller in a freedom of information request. What are the other 564 doing?

The main issue is that from the point of leaving the

EU there is a potential £8.4 billion UK-wide funding gap for local government, currently provided by the European Investment Bank. From March we are no longer eligible for this.

The Local Government Association, in a statement dated 11 June said: "The Government should set out how it will make equivalent lending alternatives to the EIB available in England after Brexit."

The UK currently has access to the EIB's loans and guarantees, which typically help fund small and medium-sized enterprise

development and major infrastructure loans.

Examples of EIB investment are; ■ The Housing Finance Corporation has secured a 1 billion loan from the EIB to expand the Affordable Housing Finance Programme which will build over 20,000 affordable homes in the UK. ■ The EIB has provided a 700 million loan to part fund the Thames Tideway, which will improve the sewage infrastructure of the Thames and is the largest investment of its kind in the UK.

The LGA has produced a document "Beyond Brexit;

future of funding currently sourced from the EU" which gives in-depth analysis of some options, and is worth a read. There is no clear information from ministers on which one, if any, would be applied, with local government at the back of the queue for consideration.

Brighton council has tabled a motion, led by the Green party opposition group, calling for a people's vote on the final Brexit deal, including an option for retaining full membership. This becomes increasingly a very good idea. Can we trust politicians who can't even



Reza Hossain

walk down the corridor to learn the facts, but are instead driven by blind ideology?

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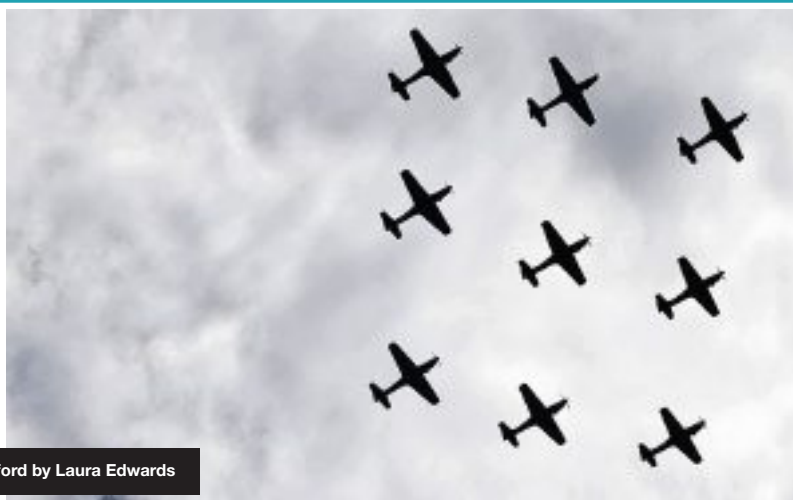
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Photos taken near Buckingham Palace by Charlie Barclay from Burnham-on-Crouch



Photos taken in Chelmsford by Laura Edwards



YOUR EDUCATION NEWS

Chance to explore life outside the classroom with a trip to the zoo

CURIOUS young minds got to explore outside of the classroom with a trip to the zoo.

Year 2 pupils at Freshwaters Primary Academy, in Harlow, have been studying the book *Meerkat Mail* by Emily Gravett, looking at the vocabulary used, the continent Kalahari Desert is in and the animals they might find there.

As part of their studies, the 56 pupils took a trip to Paradise Wildlife Park, in Hertfordshire, and saw white tigers, white snow leopards, lions, jaguars, reptiles, monkeys, lemas and penguins.

They also took part in an educational talk about dinosaurs, learning about why they became extinct and

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all about fossils.

Rebecca Freire-Norman, assistant head teacher, said: "One pupil, Oscar, helped the educational teacher to teach his class about dinosaurs as he had so much knowledge.

"Another pupil, Stanley, is the only child to date at the centre to recognise one fossil as an animal's tooth.

"The children and staff thoroughly enjoyed the trip. From the moment we told the children about the trip,

they were incredibly excited.

"It is so important for children to explore and experience the world beyond their classroom.

"It is an essential part to their learning and development and helps children to engage in different ways and link what they have learnt to the world around them.

"So many learning opportunities have arisen from this trip – before and after.

"The children are even more engaged with their learning because they are linking and building on their experiences of the day."

The pupils will now study the Kalahari Desert and its climate, which will result in them writing an information text about the desert.



As part of their studies, the 56 pupils took a trip to Paradise Wildlife Park

You ain't seen nothing like the mighty Quins!

ONE of the sport's most prestigious professional rugby clubs – Harlequins – visited Jerounds Primary School for a 'Megafest' day of rugby.

More than 180 pupils were introduced to Harlequins' community programme that promotes high-quality rugby provision for all children.

This inclusive scheme of work is tailored to each school's requirements and offers a variety of school-based outcomes – including team building, communication, agility and leadership.

As Years 4, 5 and 6 received top quality community rugby coaching, on a glorious Wednesday morning and afternoon, they embraced the Quins' values – tempo, ruthlessness, unpredictability and enjoyment.

The afternoon session concluded in Jerounds' very own Six Nations tag rugby competition involving six in-house teams from Years 4-6.

Jerounds' sports captains could hardly contain their



Jerounds Primary School had a visit from Harlequins rugby club

excitement as they were presented with a signed shirt from this year's Quins' team – many of whom are currently on international

duty for England in South Africa – by the club's school's co-ordinator:

Pupil advocates and house captains led English,

Scottish, Irish, Welsh, French and Italian teams onto the two pitches at Jerounds Primary to rapturous applause.

After many exhilarating and closely-fought matches, Scotland were eventually crowned as the tournaments' victors.

Scotland's captain exclaimed after the match: "I will definitely be taking up rugby next year at secondary school."

Primary school pupils experience life on the French side of the Channel

A GROUP of 100 Year 5 and 6 pupils and 20 staff from BMAT primary schools Cooks Spinney, Freshwaters, Little Parndon and Roydon each spent a day in Boulogne-sur-Mer.

After a 4.30am start, the group visited the old town where they bought croissants, had lunch on the beach and visited Nausicaa aquarium where they saw the new shark tanks.

It was the first time the BMAT group of primary schools had organised a combined trip taking young pupils overseas.

The trust has employed a team of subject directors to work across its primary and secondary schools to ensure children of all ages and backgrounds have access to experiences and opportunities to become experts in all subjects.

Flora Christofi, BMAT director of languages, said: "The trip enabled children to experience language learning in an authentic environment."

Children were able to give communicating in France a go during a shopping trip to a supermarket to buy gifts.

Stuart Pope, executive head for Cooks Spinney and

Roydon, said: "It was the first time many of the children had been abroad and for most of them the first time on a ferry."

"The children were fantastic and really made us proud. They were impeccable on the ferry and very calm and respectful in the village."

"We enjoyed walking around the village and taking in some French culture before heading to the beach in Boulogne-sur-mer for lunch."

"This gave everyone some free time to enjoy the weather and chill out on the sand. We then went into the Nausicaa aquarium and saw some amazing sea life, including sharks and sea lions."

"And the children thought the Cayman crocodiles were pretty cool, too."

"The children brought back lots of memories and stories to share. It was great for them to experience a different country, different culture, using different currency and to learn new language and understand a different way of life."

"It was a great experience and something we will definitely be doing again."



The primary schools enjoy the BMAT group's first combined trip abroad



Teenagers experienced the Blue Lagoon and a walk over a volcano

Teenagers enjoy trip to the land of fire and ice

A ONCE-in-a-lifetime trip saw teenagers experience the Blue Lagoon and a walk over a volcano.

Year 10 and 11 students from Burnt Mill Academy, were given the opportunity to take the experiential trip as part of their geography and science GCSE courses.

The 23 students visited the tourist hotspots which included climbing the fourth biggest glacier in Europe.

They also went to several waterfalls and explored the natural physical geography Iceland has to

offer, as well as learning about different cultures.

Kayleigh Trainor, head of humanities, said: "The trip really brought learning to life, using Iceland as a case study for geography and looking at the geothermal link to science."

"This is the first time we have taken students to Iceland and it was a really good experience for them."

"It was a real eye-opener to what is out there and gave them a taste for travel and a flavour for exploring more cultures."

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YOUR YESTERYEAR

A close-up look at a deadly rocket

YESTERYEAR has received a letter from a volunteer at the Royal Gunpowder Mills in response to our feature in the June 21 edition about the devastation caused by a V2 rocket in the final stages of the Second World War.

John Wilson, of The Hornbeams, Harlow, writes: "I was interested in your V2 article and wondered if you would be interested in the attached photos of a V2 motor from a rocket that broke up without exploding on January 23, 1945.

"It landed on Skillet Farm, south of Waltham Abbey, roughly where junction 26 of the M25 now is. For anyone that is interested, it's on display in our rocket exhibition at the Royal Gunpowder Mills, along with its distant cousin, the Stentor.

"Another motor on display is a Stentor, developed for the Blue Steel Stand-Off (or what would be called today, a cruise missile), carried by our V Bombers – the Victor, Valiant and Vulcan. between 1954 and 1960.

"The Stentor, although similar to the V2, has a shorter range of 150 miles and a speed of 2,000mph, being dropped from the V Bomber close to a chosen target, but allowing the bomber to turn away and get clear of the nuclear blast.

"The Stentor was built by Armstrong Siddeley and was designed with the collaboration of German scientists captured at the end of the war."

It was on September 8, 1944 that one of the first V2 rockets to explode on British soil killed several pigeons and rabbits at Parndon woods on the outskirts of Harlow.

The first of Hitler's new secret weapons was described in 1993 in the Harlow Star:

"The resulting explosion from this 2,200lb high explosive warhead was so immense that roofing tiles were ripped from homes and windows were shattered. Even a middle-aged widow was thrown off her feet by the explosion.

"The crater left behind by the blast was 23 feet in diameter and six feet deep – no larger than that of the smallest bombs dropped in Britain. What made the V2 so deadly, however, was that it was the first long-range ballistic missile ever devised and possessed the ability to even breakthrough the sound barrier."



The V2 rocket from the Second World War seen from the nozzle end



The V2 rocket viewed from the combustion chamber end

The remains of this first V2 rocket are in the care of Harlow Museum to this day. It was the weapon Hitler believed to be the key that would lead to his victory in the Second World War.

However, he had mistakenly misjudged the resilience of the British people.

■ The Royal Gunpowder Mills, at Beaulieu, Waltham Abbey EN9 1JY, has a fascinating display of

industrial heritage. The premises is set in 175 acres of parkland and contains 21 buildings of major historical importance. For further details of opening hours, call 01992 707370.



The Stentor motor with the nozzle pointing to the ceiling. It would have been mounted horizontally

YOUR CHARITY NEWS

Maisy bakes cakes for hospice in memory of her granddad

A PRIMARY school pupil from Harlow has organised and held a fundraising bake sale for the hospice which cared for her Grandfather.

Seven-year-old Maisy Spencer, who attends Churchgate Street Primary School, came up with the idea to hold a fundraiser for St Clare Hospice on Saturday June 16, where she raised £149.50 for the Hastingwood-based charity.

Maisy took her parents by surprise by announcing that she wanted to hold an event for St Clare Hospice in honour of her Grandad, Chris, who was cared for at the Hospice in 2006, before Maisy was born.

Commenting on their daughter's fundraising, her parents Andy and Lucy Spencer, said: "We were overwhelmed when Maisy suddenly announced that she wanted to make and sell cakes for St Clare because they looked after Grandad.

"Maisy is such a caring child, and always sees the good in everything.

"She was inspired to raise money for the hospice because we are often talking about her Grandad, and how special the nurses at St Clare are, and so she wanted to do something to thank them – even so many years on."

St Clare Community



Maisy held a bake sale for her Grandad Chris

Fundraising Lead, Dani De'ath, said: "We were so delighted to hear that Maisy held a bake sale for us – coming up with the whole idea for the event herself.

"We understand that it was

so popular, her neighbours were even asking her to bake extra cakes so that they could donate to St Clare.

"It is the perfect example of the wonderful community spirit and dedication which

St Clare was built upon, and on which we still rely today.

"We truly are a local hospice – built and funded by local people, for local people. We are so grateful for the support of our

communities, without which we wouldn't be able to continue to provide our compassionate care, free of charge, to those families who need us.

"Thank you Maisy – we

think you are a hospice hero."

For tips on how you could hold your own event for St Clare, visit their website: stclarehospice.org.uk/community-fundraising

Step up and do your bit to fight meningitis by pledging to walk, run or jog 50km over 50 days

MENINGITIS Now's would like to invite you to join their new virtual event and tell meningitis to jog on – helping to save lives and rebuild futures along the way.

Jog on meningitis is a simple concept that anyone can get involved with. All you need to do is pledge to run, jog or walk 50km over 50 days and raise £50, at your own pace and in your own way. It's that simple.

Every step will help us to fight meningitis and move us closer to our vision of a

future where no one in the UK dies from this disease and everyone affected gets the support they need. If you know someone who's had meningitis this is a perfect way for you to show them your support.

And to say thank you for taking part Meningitis Now will send you a shiny medal to reward your efforts.

Despite developments in vaccines, meningitis and septicemia continue to affect thousands every year and kill more under-5s than

any other infectious disease.

So, why not lace up your trainers, tell meningitis to jog on and help the charity fight back on all fronts by funding research to eradicate the disease, raising awareness and supporting survivors.

To find out more information log onto: <https://www.meningitisnow.org/support-us/events/fundraising-events/events-by-location/jog-on-meningitis/> or by emailing Carrie on carrieb@meningitisnow.org



Help raise vital funds for Meningitis Now

YOUR COMMUNITY NEWS

Students' inspiring prints exhibition

THE Gallery at Parndon Mill is showing an exhibition of work by a diverse group of contemporary artists who have come together to explore printmaking in the inspiring setting of Parndon Mill.

They have been attending classes given by Tania Scott Durrant in her studio at the gallery, not only learning the various techniques of printmaking, but also forming bonds and being inspired by one another.

As a group they have produced a body of work of an exceptionally high standard. Each artist has made a personal contribution, but a common denominator and a sense of community may be discerned. Tania describes this as "happenstance" - a chance meeting, especially one with a good result.

Some of Tania's own work is included in the exhibition. She produces fine art prints which quite often incorporate a variety of print disciplines in an attempt to capture the fragile atmosphere of the ever changing English landscape, particularly at dawn.

She loves the richness and depth of multimedia prints and has been known to remove what she thought was a finished print from its frame, to re print, paint or collage another layer on top. At the moment she is experimenting with combining the subtle atmospheric etching marks created by spit bite etching with the flat block shapes created using a lino plate.

Tania combines her love of fine art printmaking with her other great passion which is teaching. She teaches art workshops throughout the south east, where she thoroughly enjoys passing on to her students her enthusiasm for learning new techniques and disciplines for her art form.

Happenstance is an impressive exhibition that began on June 28 and will continue until August 5. It is hard to believe that it is the work of students who had no prior experience of printmaking before attending classes here. The prints and their presentation look entirely professional. It is a joy to look at and should not be missed.



Artists have been attending classes given by Tania Scott Durrant in her studio at the gallery

Harlow

■ **ENGLISH SCHOOL:** Falcon English School is a popular ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) provider in Harlow. Run by the charity Integration Support Services, Falcon English School first opened its doors in January 2016. Over the past two and a half years, the school has welcomed students from all over the world.

The school holds Entry 1 (beginner) through to Level 1 (advanced) classes. Lessons run in the mornings, evenings and on Saturdays, allow students to improve their English around work and family commitments.

In addition to the English

classes, students can join multilevel discussion groups, designed to help students practise speaking and listening in a relaxed environment while making new friends.

In 2017, Falcon English School became a registered Trinity College London exam centre. Students can take UK ESOL Skills for Life exams at the school's venue in the Latton Bush Centre.

Classes are affordable, costing only £100 per term or £250 for the academic year (September 2018 to July 2019). Students can book a free placement test, or take the placement test online. September enrolments are currently open.

Contact details - Phone:

01279 639442; Email: info@falconenglishschool.co.uk, Web: www.falconenglishschool.co.uk.

Venue: The Latton Bush Centre, Office 43, Southern Way, Harlow, CM18 7BL.
■ **OPEN STUDIOS:** Parndon Mill Open Studios on Saturday, July 21 and Sunday 22 from 10 am - 5pm. In this idyllic riverside setting, the Open Studios event offers an opportunity to learn about, enjoy and participate in the arts. The amazing diversity of talent and skills nurtured at Parndon Mill will be on view during the Open Studios event. As well as painting and sculpture, skilled craftwork in glass, weaving, calligraphy, guitar making, ceramics, textiles, jewellery, printing

and metalwork can be seen. There will also be an insight into architectural skills and the work of graphic and product designers. There will be opportunities to "have a go" at many of the crafts. Glass blowing is especially exciting and can result in taking away a bauble or a vessel.

In the Art Play Tent for children, Deana Kim Page will invite every child at any age to join her ART ANGELS to express themselves creatively.

It will be a privilege to listen to Richard Ove Stokkerei playing one of David Rouse's classical guitars in his studio from time to time during the weekend.

It is hard to believe that the exhibition in The Gallery, happenstance, is the work of students who met while studying print making with Tania Scott Durrant who has a studio here. The prints and their presentation look entirely professional.

Refreshments including a barbecue and home made cakes will be available.

This event is free, but donations would be very welcome.

Hunsdon

■ **PILATES CLASSES:** Mondays 2.30-3.30pm Hunsdon Village Hall. Friendly and welcoming classes. Pilates helps you achieve a

balance of mind and body plus focusing on stretching and strengthening the whole body to improve balance, muscle strength, flexibility and posture.

For more information or to book your complimentary trial class (limited places) new attendees - Contact Anne at 'Active Health Pilates and More' on 07717 333234 or email: activehealthpam@gmail.com

Sandon

■ **GREEN FINGERS:** Sandon Gardeners' Club meets every second Monday of the month at Sandon Village Hall at 7.30pm. If you have an interest in gardening, go along and join. New members

Up to £5,000 grant funding for social youth projects up for grabs

VOLUNTARY and community organisations working with young people in Essex are encouraged to apply for funding to support their work.

Grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 are available from the #iwill Fund for activities which give young people the opportunity to develop their character, build skills and engage them in the community.

Projects must benefit young people aged between 10 and 20, or up to 25 for disabled young people.

This funding programme is part of a national campaign by Big Lottery Fund, Step Up to Serve and the Government Office for Civil Society – with the goal of enabling more than 60 per cent of 10-20 year-olds across the UK to participate in social action.

Essex Community Foundation, in conjunction with the Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner in Essex are acting as match-funders and awarding the grants locally.

Among the organisations to receive grants previously are Integration Support Services, who used their grant of £5,000 to launch a peer mentoring scheme in Harlow where 10 young volunteers, aged between 13

and 18, have been paired with young asylum seekers.

The group meet regularly to take part in a range of social activities including basketball tournaments, art sessions, field trips to the seaside, as well as having discussions on topics such as hate crime and bullying.

Mimoza Matoshi, chief executive of Integration Support Services, said: "The refugees and asylum seekers we work with have experienced lives

unimaginable to most British people. Many of them have experienced trauma and have been forced to leave their homes.

"This peer-led project is an opportunity for young people who are relatively new to the area to meet with other young people, build on their language skills and make friends."

Grants from the #iwill Fund can support a wide range of projects, including, but not restricted to, skill training, anti-bullying, homelessness and to increase access to sports or the arts.

If you are a local charity or voluntary organisation working with young people, call ECF now on 01245 356018 or visit: www.essexcommunityfoundation.org.uk.

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A peer mentoring scheme in Harlow is supporting young asylum seekers

are always welcome.

Contact chairman John Handley at: johnhandley5@btinternet.com for more.

Sawbridgeworth

■ **MORRIS MEET:** Fiddlers' Brook Morris meet every Tuesday at 8pm at Allens Green Village Hall. Newcomers are welcome to give it a try for fun, exercise and friendship and to help keep a tradition going. Musicians also welcome. Call 01279 723707 or email neilandjillmunro@aol.com or see our Facebook page.

Standon

■ **TEEN DANCE:** DDMIX

(Diverse Dance Mix) dance fitness classes are held every Wednesday at Standon Village Hall for teenagers between 5.45 and 6.30pm, term time.

No dance experience is required, just lots of enthusiasm and a pair of trainers. It costs £5, which can be paid on the door each week. Call Julie on 07971 699615 or visit: dancejamacademy.co.uk for more details.

■ **FIT FOR ALL:** Pure Stretch releases muscular tension, develops core strength, and reduces mental and physical fatigue.

It is suitable for everyone, easy to follow, sociable and light-hearted. Call Denise, your local fitness instructor,

for times and classes on 01920 823072 or 07703 277862.

■ CREATIVE LITTLE ONES:

Art, craft and messy play classes are held for under fives. The sessions are held on Wednesdays between 1pm and 1.45pm at Standon Village Hall.

Go along and have some creative fun with your little one. Email Becky to book a free trial at: artexplorers1@gmail.com or visit: www.artexplorers.co.uk for more information.

■ MUSICIANS AND MOVERS:

Put a jingle in your step and become a morris dancer. Have a bash at Cotswold dance traditions with Standon Morris at practice sessions on

YOUR NEWS

■ We compile our Community News pages two weeks in advance of publication. If you'd like to include a future event please make sure you tell us in plenty of time so our readers can come along.

Thursday evenings. The mixed side welcomes anyone from 10 years old upwards. No experience necessary, and it is free. The group gathers from about 8pm onwards in The Star before heading down to Standon Village Hall at 8.30pm. Musicians are also needed to play.

To find out more, call Catherine on 07808 969379 or send an email to: standon.morris@gmail.com.

Ware

■ COMMUNITY CENTRE:

Leaside Church and Community centre - A new beginning. Leaside invites everyone to celebrate the opening of the new community centre over the weekend of July 21 and 22. On Saturday 21 from 1am to 5pm you are welcome to look around. Displays by community groups; 3pm official opening and refreshments served all day. Sunday 22, 3pm service of thanksgiving and dedication

followed by tea and cakes.

Widford

■ PILATES CLASSES:

Mondays 6.45-7.45pm and 9pm Widford Village Hall. Friendly and welcoming class. Pilates helps you achieve a balance of mind and body plus focusing on stretching and strengthening the whole body to improve balance, muscle strength, flexibility and posture.

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FILM REVIEWS

With Damon Smith

ALSO OUT THIS WEEK



Jeff Goldblum, Zachary Quinto and Jodie Foster in *Hotel Artemis*
Photo: Warner Bros/Matt Kennedy

HOTEL ARTEMIS (15) ★★★★★

STYLE confidently trumps substance in Drew Pearce's intriguing dystopian thriller about a secret membership-only hospital for the criminal fraternity.

Set during a sweltering summer of civil unrest in futuristic Los Angeles, *Hotel Artemis* dazzles with expertly choreographed fight sequences and pithy one-liners.

The writer-director is aided by a mesmerising lead performance from Jodie Foster as the agoraphobic clinician in charge of the hospital, who has spent 22 torturous years within its cracked walls and self-medicates to numb the pain of her devastating loss.

Shuffling down dimly lit corridors or staring forlornly into the camera with haunted, sunken eyes, the Oscar-winning actress captures the desolation of a broken woman who is at the beck and call of her members, but seldom permits herself to forge lasting connections.

When one of the other characters eventually breaks down her defences, rage and grief pour out of her like molten lava, threatening to burn her home to the ground and everyone inside it.

Meanwhile, outside the clinic it's June 2028 and Los Angeles is a tinderbox of incendiary emotions.

A shadowy corporation has turned off the city's water supply, sparking days of riots.

While baton-wielding police keep the angry horde at bay, Sherman (Sterling K Brown) and brother Lev (Brian Tyree Henry) orchestrate a bank heist, culminating in a gunfight with armed officers.

Lev takes a potentially fatal bullet and Sherman rushes his sibling to *Hotel Artemis*, run by The Nurse (Foster) and her hulking assistant, Everest (Dave Bautista).

Entry to this mouldering bolthole demands acceptance of 10 ground rules – "no fighting with or killing other patients" is top of the list – and residents are given geographical codenames for the duration of their stay.

Consequently, Sherman and Lev become Waikiki and Honolulu.

When sadistic underworld boss The Wolf King (Jeff Goldblum) is unexpectedly rushed to the hospital by his jittery heir apparent (Zachary Quinto), other patients prepare to make a hasty recovery.

Hotel Artemis is a blood-smeared bauble, polished to a deceptive lustre by an excellent ensemble cast.

Pearce conjures a vivid alternate reality in which bad men and women use their ill-gotten gains to repeatedly cheat death.

The filmmaker is aided by grungy production design and South Korean cinematographer Chung Chung-hoon, who revels in the decaying grandeur of the central location.

Foster's searing performance is complemented by a tender brotherly bond between Brown and Henry, and the bristling menace of Bautista as an orderly.

The promised prescription of thrills and spills delivers only a fleeting high.



Jessica Jeenan Wynn, Lily James and Alexa Davies in *Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again*

Photo: Universal/Jonathan Prime

Fun in the sun again

MAMMA MIA! HERE WE GO AGAIN (PG) ★★★★★

I had a dream that writer-director Ol Parker's sequel to the feel-great ABBA jukebox musical *Mamma Mia!* would recapture the giddy abandon of the first film, which smashed box office records in the summer of 2008 and had me dancing with fellow audience members of my local multiplex.

Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again doesn't quite achieve the same intoxicating sense of nostalgia-drenched delirium.

In a sing-off with *The Great Showman*, this bittersweet return to the sun-kissed Greek island of Kalokairi comes off second best to the razzle dazzle of Hugh Jackman and his kaleidoscopic circus of melodic misfits.

However, when all is said and done, Parker's film is hard-wired to entertain with a comforting recipe of glossy song and dance numbers, saucy humour, simmering romance and Oscar winner Meryl Streep ripping the hearts out of chests as she mines the raw emotion of Benny Andersson and Bjorn Ulvaeus's lyrics.

The first film gleefully plundered 20 sparkling gems

from the ABBA songbook, including a rousing full cast rendition of *Waterloo* over the end credits bedecked in straining spandex and sequins.

Considerably fewer classics remain for Parker to tap for the second picture including a sweet, heartfelt *The Name Of The Game* (cut from the original *Mamma Mia!*) and duets of *One Of Us* and *Knowing Me, Knowing You* staged as tear-stained break-ups.

Consequently, *Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again* relies on the Swedish pop group's lesser known album tracks to reflect characters' whirling emotions,

interspersed with euphoric reprises of *Dancing Queen*, *Super Trouper* and the title track.

The addition of Cher as Streep's impeccably coiffed mother is a masterstroke.

From the moment we hear the thrum of the chart-topping diva's private helicopter approaching Kalokairi, Parker's film cranks up the volume on our pleasure to 11 and blows the roof off the taverna with her rapturous interpretation of Fernando with fellow newcomer Andy Garcia.

These final 15-20 minutes, when the full cast is reunited on the island idyll, are on the

money, money, money.

The sequel's perfunctory narrative finds Sophie Sheridan (Amanda Seyfried) nervously preparing for the grand opening of *Hotel Bella Donna*, aided by suave manager Fernando Cienfuegos (Andy Garcia) and her architect father Sam (Pierce Brosnan).

Her husband Sky (Dominic Cooper) will miss the festivities because he is working in New York and her two remaining fathers, Harry (Colin Firth) and Bill (Stellan Skarsgard), are stuck in Tokyo and Stockholm respectively.

Thankfully, her mother's best friends Tanya (Christine Baranski) and Rosie (Julie Walters) are on hand to allay Sophie's nerves. They encourage Sophie to look to the past for courage.

Cue flashbacks to the young Donna (Lily James) embarking on her lusty Mediterranean odyssey via Paris.

Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again lays all of its ABBA love on us with platform heels, tongue-in-cheek humour and joy-infused musical performances choreographed to perfection by Anthony Van Laast.

Fragmented chronology hampers dramatic momentum but audiences who loved the first film won't care.



Colin Firth, Stellan Skarsgard and Pierce Brosnan

MUSIC



*With The Manfreds coming to Essex in the autumn, Mike D'Abo talks to **Martin Neal** about the enduring appeal of their 1960s pop*

At the age of 74, Mike D'Abo has had the sort of career that any aspiring musician would dream of embarking upon.

He's sung some of the most recognisable and enduring songs of their era, written others that fall into the same category, played a key role in getting Rod Stewart's career off the ground, penned TV ad jingles and acted in the West End.

And if all that's not enough, he's still performing regularly with The Manfreds – a reunion of 60s pop stars Manfred Mann only without their eponymous founder – yet after more than half a century in the business, he remains ambitious and hungry to achieve more.

"I'm not resting on my laurels, I've got more I want to achieve," said Mike, who replaced Paul Jones in Manfred Mann in 1966 and performed vocal duties on Ha! Ha! Said the Clown, Mighty Quinn and My Name is Jack among others.

"I write songs every day of my life," he explained, "and music is such an integral part of my life."

"Writing songs is the most satisfying thing for me – knowing that a song that you've created 50 years ago is still being well received."

"I do have thoughts of retiring sometimes. When you're on the road and the traffic is bad – you end up getting the map out and wonder if you're going to get there on time, that can be stressful. But then you go on stage, have a drink afterwards and think 'this isn't so bad'."

As well as performing with Manfred Mann, the songs Mike can claim credit for writing songs for other artists, including Handbags And Gladrag (which opened up to a new generation as theme tune to The Office), Build Me Up Buttercup and even the Finger of Fudge TV ad jingle.

But he admitted: "I wish I'd had a hit single under my own name as well as under the Manfreds name. Maybe I've got it left in me and it will happen in the next 10 years."

"It happened unexpectedly to Rod Stewart. He recorded In A Broken Dream when nobody knew who Rod Stewart was. Then he released it under the name of Python Lee Jackson and it was a hit after it had been lying around in a tape box for five years. It shows what can happen."

Rod and Mike go back a long way, it transpires.

"In my autobiography, which isn't out yet, I've devoted a whole chapter to Rod," said

Mike. "He started coming round my house when I lived in Paddington. I remember thinking then that he would go far because his voice was so charismatic."

"He used to go busking around Europe and he brought his guitar round and sang some Scottish folk songs. He had something of a real troubadour about him."

"He picked up on Handbags And Gladrag and wanted to record it but I was producing Chris Farlowe at the time and of course he had a hit with it."

"So the first song of mine that Rod recorded was Little Miss Understood. He sang that one so that he could have Handbags And Gladrag when he got an album deal."

The forthcoming Manfreds autumn tour – when they'll be joined by special guest Georgie Fame – comprises 29 dates, including Southend's Cliffs Pavilion on October 20.

The line-up includes Mike's predecessor Paul Jones as well as fellow original members Mike Hugg and Tom McGuinness, so you can expect the likes of Doo Wah Diddy, 5-4-3-2-1 and Pretty Flamingo to feature in the set too.

"I'm like Ronnie Wood in the Stones," joked Mike. "I'm the new boy, I've only been in the band for 40 years."

The band original split in 1969 but regrouped in 1991. There's no Manfred himself, although the invitation was there.

"Manfred has a band called The Earth Band," explained Mike, "and he never agreed to the opportunity. The Earth Band had hits like Blinded By The Light in 70s and I think he feels he has a market there."

"There was some acrimony about us using the name but I think it's all water under the bridge now."

Mike enjoyed a good working relationship with Manfred, who played keyboards in the band and therefore had a lower profile, but admitted: "I don't think Paul Jones got on too well with him and I think that was one reason why he left. If someone said 'Hello Manfred, I saw you on TV last night' he'd say 'no I'm not Manfred, I'm the singer'."

"In fact in the last year of the EMI deal, the band was billed as Manfred Man featuring Paul Jones on the singles. And when he left, EMI dropped Manfred Mann and kept Paul – that's how much they thought of him."

■ The Manfreds play the Cliffs Pavilion, Southend, on October 20. For tickets for the tour, visit: www.flyingmusicboxoffice.com

LIVE MUSIC



Enter Shikari to play Southend

Hot on the heels of winning Best Album at the Kerrang! Awards for The Spark, alt rockers Enter Shikari are heading off on their longest UK tour to date – and it includes Southend's Cliffs Pavilion on Saturday, January 19.

Frontman Rou Reynolds said: "The heat-sweat-and-visceral-human-connection of smaller gigs is every bit the equal of the impressive-scale-and-expensive-production of arena shows. We've never seen the latter as an evolution away from the former. They exist on opposite sides of the same coin for us."

"It's also no secret that austerity and the looming potential disaster of Brexit have seen people having to be a lot more careful with how they spend their money. With things being what they are right now, it doesn't seem fair for only those who can afford the travel to a major city for a night out (plus the inevitable other costs that go along with it) to be able to see a show."

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DOWN THE PUB



THE much-travelled Expose, above, are back at Southend's Cricketers this Friday. The band formed way back in 1979 and have built up a massive following.

Gigs for July 20-22:

- **Star & Garter, Moulsham Street, Chelmsford:** Saturday - The Stents
- **Cricketers, Southend:** Friday - Expose
- **Horse & Groom, Braintree:** Saturday - Rumour Mill
- **Waggon at Wix:** Saturday - Beat Patrol
- **Golden Fleece, Chelmsford:** Friday - Barney & The Rubbles; Saturday - Repertoire Dogs
- **Railway Hotel, Clifftown Road, Southend:** Saturday - Nirvana Tribute; Sunday (afternoon) - Blues Spiders
- **Boars Head, Braintree:** Saturday - Fleeced
- **Benfleet Tavern, Benfleet:** Saturday - Crusader
- **Cow & Telescope, Southend:** Friday - Beggar; Saturday - Mr Spankey & The Hipthrusters
- **Cock Inn, Bishops Stortford:** Saturday - The Real McKoys
- **United Brethren, New Writtle Street, Chelmsford:** Saturday - A Light Left On

FOOD & DRINK



INGREDIENTS

2 aubergines, halved lengthways
250g firm organic tofu in 1.5cm slices
100g spring greens, thickly sliced
75g miso paste
1tbsp sesame oil
2.5cm ginger, grated
2 cloves of garlic, crushed

For the dressing:

1 red chilli, finely chopped
2cm ginger, grated
2 cloves of garlic, crushed
2 limes, zest and juice
30ml soy sauce
30ml sesame oil
3 spring onions, thinly sliced

To serve:

30g sesame seeds
300g white rice

METHOD:

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C fan/200 degrees C/gas 6. Cut deep cross-hatches into each aubergine half, then transfer to a roasting tin along with the tofu and spring

MISO AUBERGINES WITH TOFU SESAME & CHILLI
SERVES 4

greens.

2. Mix the miso paste with the sesame oil, ginger and garlic, then rub this into everything in the roasting tin. Transfer to the oven and roast for 45 minutes.

3. Meanwhile, for the dressing, mix the chilli, ginger, garlic, lime zest and juice, soy sauce, sesame oil and spring onions together.

4. Tip this dressing over the aubergine and tofu as soon as it comes out of the oven, then scatter with the sesame seeds. Serve hot with rice alongside.

The food stylist and ex-MasterChef contestant Rukmini Iyer talks **ELLA WALKER** through roasting tin recipes

If there's ever been a good rule for Monday to Friday mealtimes, it should be Rukmini Iyer's. "Weeknight dinners shouldn't be s**t," says the food stylist and cook, over her homemade Bourbon biscuits. "They should be nice, but low effort."

The 33-year-old, who you're likely to recognise as a contestant on MasterChef 2013, has written a whole cookbook packed with recipes that fit this bill.

The Green Roasting Tin is the vegetarian and vegan follow-up to her debut, *The Roasting Tin*, created for time-poor home cooks. It hinges on chucking a whole load of ingredients into a single tin and roasting it all into speedy, tasty, flavourful life.

The idea for it, she recalls, was triggered by tacos and getting home absolutely shattered from work, in no mood to cook. "I'm on my feet all day styling – it's a bit like cheffing, you never sit down – I like eating something fresh when I get in, but I didn't want to stand and stir because I'd been standing all day."

So instead, she grabbed all the ingredients she needed for tacos, popped them in a tin, and "blasted it all under the grill". From then on, her frying pans pretty much knew their days were numbered.

In the book, you'll find warm Indonesian gado gado potato salad that is pure assembly, drizzled with a quick peanut sauce; an earthy leek and puy lentil gratin with a crisp, cheesy topping; and scored aubergines slathered in miso.

"Because it's all roasted, you think it might be quite heavy and not fresh, but there are so many fresh things you can just throw



Rukmini Iyer

TIN STAR

on top afterwards," says Rukmini. It's all about layers, she explains. "You want colour, you want a variety, and you want texture. No using curly parsley as a garnish like they did at school!"

Rukmini cooked in a casual way at university, but it was while studying for a law conversion degree – which she hated – that the possibility of a career in food began to occur to her. She went from drawing meal

ideas in her margins during lectures, to graduating, putting down a deposit for cookery school, and then getting a call the next day to say she'd been picked to appear on MasterChef.

She can't bring herself to watch the show now ("It's too stressful") but since then, she's worked in the kitchens of Michelin-starred chefs Tom Kitchin and Raymond Blanc at Le Manoir.



"It's really intense – it's a great way to learn because you get really quick because you have to be," she says of her restaurant stints.

"It's this incredible focus when you're doing service, your brain has to be razor sharp, and that's really exhilarating."

She found food styling more attractive than the relentlessness of restaurant cooking though, and began assisting on shoots ("Which means a lot of washing up").

Rukmini now runs her own food styling business – hence why the boot of her car is awash with blenders, gas burners and electric whisks.

While her whole family's now veggie ("They all went, one by one"), she tends to eat plant-based meals four nights a week, and the rule is: "I want to not miss meat when I'm eating something veggie."

As she notes: "You've got to be more creative when you've got a plate that doesn't have meat on it."

"You can never have too many vegetarian recipes."

The only sad thing about this book, she admits, "is that it hasn't got cakes in it". Maybe next time.

■ The Green Roasting Tin: Vegan And Vegetarian One Dish Dinners by Rukmini Iyer, photography by David Loftus, is published by Square Peg, priced £16.99. Available now.

I'M often asked "where are the best places to go and buy wine?" or "is there a good wine to look out for?". I have my opinions, which is just as well, being as I have this little spot of printed ink in which to voice them.

However, I also defer politely to the viewpoints and considered judgements of people in the wine industry.

One of the biggest events in the wine calendar is the International Wine Challenge Merchants' Awards dinner (I went once and kicked off my shoes on the dance floor).

There are some proud award-winners around at the moment as it took place just a few days ago.

Here are a few headlines which might be helpful for that "ooo, err" moment when you're wondering where to buy wine.

RAISE A GLASS

WITH JANE CLARE



Aldi won Supermarket of the Year, pipping Waitrose and Marks & Spencer. **Waitrose** walked away with a specialist award for its excellent range of English wines (plus another nod for its champagne and sparkling wines).

M&S picked up a specialist award for rosé wines. **The Wine Society** (thewinesociety.com) was named Wine Club of the Year.

Majestic won High Street Chain of the Year. **The Co-op** is Convenience Store Chain of the Year for the third year running

Ok. Have you digested that info? Let's move on. Here are three of the Great Value Trophy winners also announced at the event (wines are blind-tasted throughout the judging process).

The IWC top pick for rosé is **Baron Gassier Cuvée Elegance 2017**, available at Sainsbury's from £12. The IWC Great Value Champion White 2018 medal went to **Viré-Cléssé 2016 from Florent Rouve (£15)** – a chardonnay available from Marks & Spencer.

Tesco Finest Premier Cru Champagne NV (£19) won the award for IWC Great Value Champion Sparkling 2018.

You can find the full list of specialist merchant awards at iwcmERCHANTAWARDS.com, and for more details on the 2018

Trophy winners, go to internationalwinechallenge.com

IN MY GLASS ...

I'VE discovered a couple of beautiful wines from California, both of them chardonnay. It's funny, because chardonnay hasn't been on my "go-to" list of wines in recent months.

First, **Edna Valley Chardonnay 2016** (£15.99, or £9.99 in a buy six deal at Majestic, 14% abv).

The vineyard is halfway between San Francisco and Los Angeles, five miles from the Pacific Ocean. The

climate is perfect for a long, cool growing season.

The wine is soft with a creamy mouthfeel and a dalliance of spice. I found green apple and delightful tropical notes which are moreish.

Second, **Frei Brothers Chardonnay Russian River Valley 2016** (£17.99, Waitrose, 14% abv) The Russian River Valley is in Sonoma County, California, where at night cooling fogs drift in from the Pacific to give the grapes respite from the heat.

I loved this wine, with its creamy mouthfeel, flecked with subtle notes of vanilla, toast and spice and ripe tropical fruits.

■ Jane is a member of the Circle of Wine Writers. Find her on social media and online as One Foot in the Grapes.



INGREDIENTS

1kg Charlotte potatoes, halved
2tbsp olive oil
1tsp sea salt
240g green beans
300g beansprouts
A handful of fresh coriander, to serve

For the dressing:

50g crunchy peanut butter
80ml coconut milk
30ml lime juice
1 1/2tbsp soy sauce
1 fresh red chilli, grated
2.5cm ginger, grated

GADO GADO

SERVES 2

METHOD

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C fan/200°C/gas 6.
2. Mix the potatoes in a roasting tin with the oil and salt, transfer to the oven and cook for 40 minutes.
3. Mix all the ingredients for the dressing. You may need to add a little more coconut milk so you have a thick, spoonable dressing consistency.
4. Once the potatoes have had 40 minutes, add the green beans and beansprouts. Add a splash more oil if needed, then return to the oven for a further 20 minutes.
5. Sprinkle the potatoes and veg with the coriander and serve warm with dressing alongside.

**INGREDIENTS**

30g butter
3 cloves of garlic, crushed
500g leeks, thinly sliced
2tsp sea salt
Ground black pepper
500g vac-packed cooked Puy lentils
300ml creme fraiche
125g feta cheese, crumbled
50g panko or fresh white breadcrumbs
1tbsp olive oil

LEEK & PUY LENTIL GRATIN WITH FETA TOPPING

SERVES 4

METHOD

1. Preheat the oven to 180 degrees C fan/200 degrees C/gas 6. Put the butter and garlic into a roasting tin and pop into the oven to melt while you get on with slicing the leeks.
2. Mix the sliced leeks with the melted garlic butter, season well with the sea salt and black pepper, then return to the oven to roast for 20 minutes.
3. After 20 minutes, stir through the Puy lentils, creme fraiche and another good scatter of sea salt, then top with the feta cheese and breadcrumbs. Drizzle with the olive oil, return to the oven for a further 20-25 minutes, until golden brown.
4. Serve hot with a balsamic-dressed green salad alongside.



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SPOTLIGHT

Welsh wildman Matt Pritchard tells **MARION McMULLEN** how he's finally taking care of himself after a decade of reckless abandon

There were a lot of outrageous pranks on MTV show Dirty Sanchez, from being slapped in the face with a cactus to barbed wire hurdle races. How did you survive it all?

I WAS quite happy to do anything then and to be inside that kind of madness. We travelled the world, but now I feel like I've been there and done that.

I'm not partying as much as I did, put it that way. You can't go on stage and stick a drumstick up your a**e, especially when you're 45.

What's life like now?

REALLY busy. I have a barber's and a tattoo shop at home in Cardiff and another one in Bargoed. I've also signed with the BBC and have big challenges coming.

I have a four-year plan. I want to live in Majorca eventually and go swimming and running and cycling. I have friends out there, so that's my plan. I mean, I love this country and it's lovely in summer, but the winters I just can't take them.

What does your new healthy lifestyle include?

I TRAIN six days a week and have one day off. I'm working on strength at the moment in the gym. I started as a skateboarder before Dirty Sanchez and I was always fit.

I dived headfirst into Dirty Sanchez and went wild for 10 years, then I looked at myself bloated and yellow-looking and thought 'What have I become?' and I decided to do something about it.

I did the Cardiff half-marathon first. I had first done it when I was 15 and I just got addicted to it all. I just carried on with marathons, triathlons and Ironman events.

What is it like doing Ironman challenges?

THEY'RE tough. I've done the triple Ironman and that's really hard, but that's what I enjoy most. I didn't stop after I had finished it. I just continued training.

Training keeps me in a happy place. I have decided to have a year off and concentrate on my strength because I have done so much the last few years and my body was starting to feel it. So I'm concentrating on building up my strength and then I'll start again.

I view my day off from training as having earned my party time. That's how I look at it - party time - but I do not drink anything like I used to do.

How do you manage all your fitness training on a vegan diet? I KNOW a lot about food. I used to be a chef and I still understand food. It's important when I train.

I turned vegan a few years ago. I love animals and I decided it was



After 10 years in Dirty Sanchez, I looked at myself bloated and yellow and thought, what have I become?

time to make changes. I've found I'm faster and stronger on a vegan diet and healing times are quicker.

I've had people ask 'Where are you getting your protein from?' and I say 'Erm, well, plants.'

(Laughs) I do miss a boiled egg, but I'm much happier now. I don't really think about it any more.

"I have a four year plan. I want to live in Majorca eventually... I love this country... but the winters... I just can't take them.

You and Dirty Sanchez team mate Lee Dainton are about to go on tour. What can people expect from An Audience With Dirty Sanchez?

DOING this was something me and Dainton were always talking about. We can't carry on touring forever, we're getting older and he's got kids

and family and stuff, but when we do see each other it's like it always used to be.

I've known him 25 years and we still mess with each other. (Laughs) Nothing changes really.

Dainton has got reams of stuff that was never used in the TV show and we talk about how Dirty Sanchez came about, and our friendship. We have a Q&A and encourage people to ask whatever they want to know. It's nice to go up on stage without smashing the living s**t out of yourself.

■ An Evening With Dirty Sanchez can be seen at Cardiff Tramshed on July 27 and tours from September. Go to twitter.com/pritchardswyd for more details.



STRICTLY BUSINESS FOR CARDLE
X FACTOR winner Matt Cardle is to join the West End cast of **Strictly Ballroom The Musical**.

He will take over the role of band leader Wally Strand from Will Young on July 31 in the show based on Baz Luhrmann's hit film.

Matt, right, says of the Piccadilly Theatre production: "It's so rare that a role comes around that you can put so much of your own stamp on. I have seen the show and it's absolutely incredible. Baz Luhrmann is an utter genius."

Go to [strictlyballroomthemusical.com](https://www.strictlyballroomthemusical.com) for booking details.



FROM ALBERT SQUARE TO SLEUTHING
FORMER EastEnders John Partridge is about to tour the country looking for a killer in murder mystery thriller **The Case Of The Frightened Lady**.

The actor, right, who played Christian Clarke in the BBC soap, will play Inspector Tanner in the autumn tour of the production, which also features Deborah Grant, Coronation Street's Philip Lowrie, Drop The Dead Donkey actor Robert Duncan, Emmerdale's Scarlett Archer and Matt Barber from Downtown Abbey.

The tour runs from September 3. Go to [kenwright.com](https://www.kenwright.com) for more information.



DYSTOPIAN ROLE FOR THRONES STAR
GAME Of Thrones actor Iwan Rheon is to star in the premiere of comic drama **Foxfinder** about a contamination investigation at a farm.

The Olivier award-winner, right, best known for playing Ramsay Bolton in Game Of Thrones, appears as investigator William Bloor in the dystopian thriller by Dawn King. The production opens at the Ambassadors Theatre, London, on September 6.

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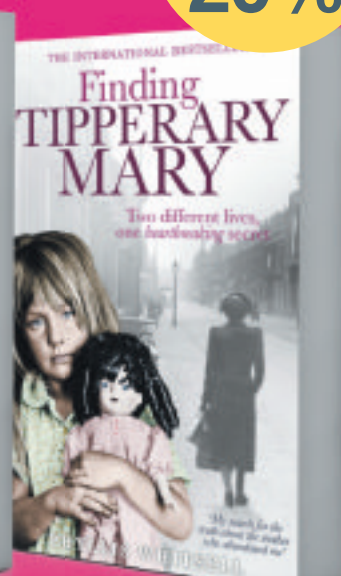
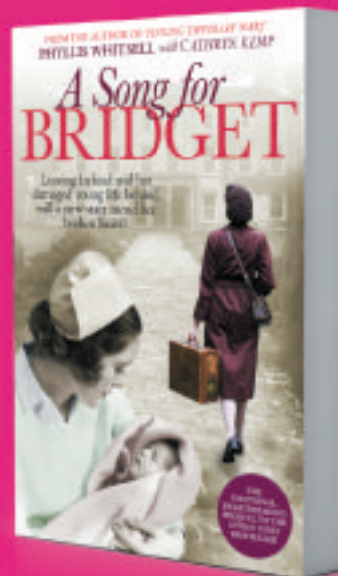
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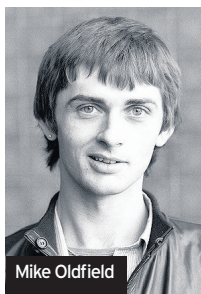
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Now that's what I call a milestone! **MARION McMULLEN** looks back on 35 years of hits as *Now That's What I Call Music 100* is released

PHIL COLLINS warned "You can't hurry love" as his hit song became the first track on the inaugural *Now That's What I Call Music!* compilation album.

The year was 1983 and Cabbage Patch dolls and plastic Swatch watches were all the rage and the latest buzz words were toy boy and chatline. There were only four television channels in the UK... and no mobile phones.

Now *That's What I Call Music!* was released on vinyl and audio cassette and ended up topping the UK album charts for five weeks.

The first *Now* compilation 35 years ago sold 1.1 million copies and was packed with hits from 28 artists with Kajagoogoo, UB40 and Culture Club all boasting two songs on the album. Peabo Bryson and Roberta Flack also doubled up for the duet *Tonight, I Celebrate My Love*.

Duran Duran were asking *Is There Something I Should Know*, Heaven 17 were offering *Temptation* and Bonnie Tyler was having a *Total Eclipse Of The Heart*.

Rod Stewart was also singing about Baby Jane alongside The Cure's *Love Cats* and comedy favourite Tracey Ullman and *They Don't Know*.

Or if that did not appeal there was Tina Turner and *Let's Stay Together*, Mike Oldfield's *Moonlight Shadow* or Paul Young singing *Wherever I Lay My Hat (That's My Home)*.

Chances are you have had one of the *Now* albums in your record collection. More than half of the UK population have bought – or been given – a *Now* compilation album in the years since the first was released.

The most successful volume to date is 1999's *Now 44*, which sold 2.3 million copies and is the biggest selling compilation album ever, but 98 out of the 99 albums released so far have all reached number one in the official UK charts.

Now *That's What I Call Music!* 4 was the first volume to be released on CD and featured just 15 songs, compared to 32 on the LPs and cassette. It is the only volume that did not get to number one, but it did spend two weeks at number two.

All together Now



From one to 100 and the man whose voice launched the series, Phil Collins



The most successful themed compilation was *Now That's What I Call Christmas* which sold 4.3 million copies.

The compilations have spent a staggering 654 weeks at number one and it would take more than 250 hours to listen to all 100 albums.

Hollywood actors who have appeared on the albums over the last 35 years include Will Smith (*Now 26* with DJ Jazzy Jeff & The Fresh Prince – *Boom Shake The Room*), Ewan McGregor (*Now 38* with PF Project feat Ewan McGregor – *Choose Life*), Kate Winslet (*Now 50* – *What If*) and Nicole Kidman (*Now 51* with Robbie Williams –

Something Stupid) and Brittany Murphy (*Now 64* with Paul Oakenfold – *Faster Kill Pussycat*).

Robbie Williams holds the record for the most appearances – 30 times with *Take That* hits such as *Pray* and *It Only Takes A Minute* – and solo ventures like *Angels* and *Millennium*. Rihanna places second with 27 appearances and Calvin Harris takes third with 26 times.

Girls Aloud have clocked up the highest number of consecutive appearances – 13 albums – with a track in every album from *Now 54* to *Now 66*.

And U2 had the longest gap between their first appearance in 1984's *Now 4* to their appearance on *Now 99* this year.

Madonna had never allowed any of her tracks to appear on a *Now* compilation until her song *Into The Groove* featured on the series' 30th anniversary edition.

Oasis's *Songbird* is the shortest song to make the grade at two

minutes four seconds and the longest on any of the albums is Don McLean's *American Pie* at eight minutes 34 seconds.

Willow Smith on *Now 78* with *Whip My Hair* was the youngest to be featured on an album and was just nine years old at the time.

The 100 albums have featured more than 2,000 artists singing 602 number one hits since 1983.

Cassette tapes ceased in 2006 with the final cassette being *Now 64* and the first to be released as download was *Now 62* in 2005. MiniDiscs started with *Now 43* in 1999 and ended just two years later with *Now 48* in 2001.

The musical institution has gone on to become the biggest selling compilation brand in the world with global success in more than 60 countries including America, South Korea and New Zealand.

Now *That's What I Call Music 100* also pays tribute to the first album with girl band MU4 singing *You Can't Hurry Love* by The Supremes... the classic song covered by Phil Collins to open the 1983 album.

Now *That's What I Call Music 100* is released on Friday, July 20. *Now That's What I Call Music 1* is being reissued on CD, cassette and vinyl. Go to nowmusic.com for more details.



Robbie Williams is the most featured star, singing on 30 tracks



Kajagoogoo – Limahl, Nick Beggs, Steve Askew, Stuart Croxford Neale and Jez Strode



Rod Stewart told us about Baby Jane

SOUND OUT

RICK'S A NO ROLL

Rick Astley is set to release the second record of his unlikely comeback. **ANDREW ARTHUR** speaks to the singer-songwriter about his 80s heyday and how the internet craze of 'Rick rolling' sparked his renaissance

AFTER topping the charts in 25 countries with one of the best-selling songs of the 1980s, that sort of success would have gone to many singers' heads. Not Rick Astley, it would seem.

"I knew I wasn't cool. I just wasn't. Look at the videos!" a relaxed Rick, 52, laughs in a small sitting room upstairs from an upmarket London restaurant on a boiling hot day.

The bequipped singer seems totally at home reclining in an armchair as sunlight pours in through the window next to him.

Throughout our conversation, Rick is friendly and self-effacing as he reflects on how much pop music has changed since his enduring classic *Never Gonna Give You Up* arrived 30 years ago.

"The sharp end of the business, where I got my break, still exists today," he says. "I think it is slightly different because I think pop is cooler than it was then. If you look at successful artists like Adele and Ed Sheeran, they are pretty cool as well.

"It's not like going back to the days where it was bright and breezy. They can sing really sincere, even dark songs with heavy lyrics and still be the biggest artist in the world.

"In terms of myself and how I would have fared now, I just think it was a very different time.

"I'm not saying that *Never Gonna Give You Up* is uncool. I'm saying I wasn't cool. I think there is a distinction there."

Under the guidance of production team Stock Aitken and Waterman, the Lancastrian shot to stardom. When asked if he ever pushed back from the way he was marketed, Rick replies: "There was no time for that.

"The first time I went on *Top Of The Pops*, I turned up in a jacket I bought while doing a radio promotional tour in Scotland and found myself on TV in front of 12 million people!

"There was no kind of styling or strategy for how we were going to do this - and that's true today, folks!"

Rick is currently riding the wave of what many would have thought an unlikely comeback. This week he releases his new album, *Beautiful Life*.

It's the follow-up to 2016's platinum-selling 50, his first LP to reach number one in the UK since his debut *Whenever You Need Somebody*. On his recent success, Rick again strikes a modest tone.

"One of the main things I learned while touring the last record was people who get to a certain age still want to have a dance. It made me feel free to write more uptempo tunes.

"I was writing the last one to hear it, so I think lyrically I didn't even give it a second thought.

"It was a bit like my midlife crisis project and then we ended up having a number one album!

"On this one I've been a bit more conscious that people are actually going to hear it, hopefully!"

That Rick is still releasing new material is remarkable given that aged 27 he retired after selling 40 million records.

Disillusioned by the business side of the industry, he swapped the spotlight for family life to raise daughter Emilie with his Danish film producer wife Lene Bausager.

During that time Rick says he became "happily invisible".

"It is a daft and silly business. After doing it for five years I never fell out of love with music. I've always had a studio to potter about in. But the idea of having a major record deal and trying to have a worldwide hit record, knowing what that takes up of you as a person, I just wasn't willing to carry on.

"I got sick of it and the business and the public probably got sick of me. It was a good time to stop."

Rick was inadvertently thrust back into the public eye as the subject of the internet viral sensation known as "Rick-rolling".

Internet users were sent a link to a video that claimed to be something else but then cuts to the video of *Never Gonna Give You Up*. Millions of people were tricked by the online prank. A decade after it caught on, Rick admits he doesn't understand the craze that helped relaunch his career.

"Quite early on, a friend 'Rick-rolled' me. He did it again and again. I kept saying, 'What are you doing, you idiot?'"

"It was a bit weird. I didn't really grasp it if I'm honest. I discussed it with our daughter and she pointed out that the whole thing doesn't really have anything to do with me.

"I know it's my video, but it could have been anyone. There have been some amazing things done with it. I don't have any hang-ups about it."

Rick is clearly a serious musician, a description he disputes. He wrote four songs on *Whenever You Need*

Somebody and wrote and recorded *Beautiful Life* and 50 in his home studio.

Despite having clocked up eight other UK top 10 solo hits, Rick still remains wedded to *Never Gonna Give You Up*. But he doesn't resent his signature tune.



Rick's new album

"I genuinely don't get sick of it," he says. "I didn't sing it for so long. It may have helped the song too because I haven't been to the opening of an envelope."

While he is disparaging of himself, Rick never criticises the song he says has been good to him.

"If it gets played in a bar here, it's not like it comes on and it sounds really naff. Well, I'm sure some people think that. But in terms of the general sound of it, I don't think it's uncool at all."

■ *Beautiful Life* is out on July 13. Rick will tour the UK in October and November.

Rick Astley says he is enjoying making music again after years of being 'happily invisible'



RICK ASTLEY - BEAUTIFUL LIFE

★★★★★

MASSIVE respect to any artist who restarts their career after having one of the biggest pop hits ever, especially with a brave foray into a different genre. Rick Astley might be best known for 1987 earworm *Never Gonna Give You Up*, but *Beautiful Life* is light years from that bastion of pop cheesiness.

Beautiful Life is a fair effort, comprising tracks penned by Astley and on which he plays all the instruments.

The title track is an uptempo pop piece that showcases his soulful vocals. But some of the songs - best described as an homage to mid-noughties *Take That* - get a bit lost. *I Need The Light* is one of the catchiest tracks, though nowhere near his classic - but nothing ever will be. Rick's come a long way, and where he is suits him fine, and fans will love this.

DIRTY PROJECTORS - LAMP LIT PROSE

★★★★★

IN a musical landscape more crowded than ever, it's challenging to create an original sound. But indie-eccentrics *The Dirty Projectors*, helmed by the ubiquitous David Longstreth, have produced another startlingly fresh collection that brims with invention.

Lamp Lit Prose is a curious blend of straightforward pop songwriting and left-field instruments and arrangements. The risk in such a bold album, is whether it experiments past the point of comfortable listening, but, thanks to Longstreth's care and sensitivity, the elements balance neatly, with the potentially jarring instrumentation adding flair to quite traditionally written songs.

THE VAMPS - NIGHT AND DAY (DAY EDITION)

★★★★★

THE Vamps are back with their second offering in a year. fans couldn't get enough of *Night Edition*, the first part of their album *Night & Day*. Now 12 months later they've delivered the *Day Edition*. Packed with tracks, it's a tall order to deliver an album that makes you want to listen to every song, but it's undeniably catchy and you'll be bopping along.

Guitarist James McVey says the two-part concept was to "give fans more songs over a short period of time". The album opener *Just My Type*, for which they've just released a music video, is a surefire hit. A bit like the album.



PUZZLE TIME

Pathfinder

Beginning with the top highlighted letter, follow a continuous path of words associated with the given subject. The trail goes through each letter once, twisting up, down and sideways, but never diagonally.

African countries

M B I E S O U E A B S A U C O
O M Q U I K T N I I S A M I F
Z A S A N R H A U G R U B L C
O B O F A U R F O N I T U N O
T A N A D B I C O R E I P G O
S W A M N I Z A C A M U E I Z
H T U R A L A A I Z N S R M B
S U T I P E W S N A A T A E A
U O A N A V E E U I A U I N B
D S A I C A R D G R L G D E W
A N L L E I P O A O T A J O U
E S E M S G A I N D Q U I B T
Y C H A D A S H T A E A I R I
N O A R I S C E E V I C O E A
E E L R E R A R I O D E T G L

Split Decision

Cross out one of the two letters in each divided square to reveal a completed crossword grid.

G	C	O	L	S	A	C	S	H
R	W			N	A		W	F
T	O	A	M	L	E	S		
A	D		B	R		F	A	
B	M	A	L	A	Y	O	N	R

Sudoku

There is one simple rule in Sudoku. Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9, and so must each 3 x 3 box.

Easy

	2		3		9			5
	4	8	7		6	1		
		1				7		2
	1		2	7	8			4
					3			
8	7		6		4			9
	8	4				6		5
		6	8	4	1	9		
9		5		2				8

Hard

			6			8		7
							9	
		8	9	7				2
1			2	4		9		
			1		6			
		3		5	7			4
4				6	1	5		
	6							
7		2			4			

Two Speed Crossword

This two-speed crossword has two sets of clues, but just one grid. If you can't solve the Cryptic clue, try the Quick.

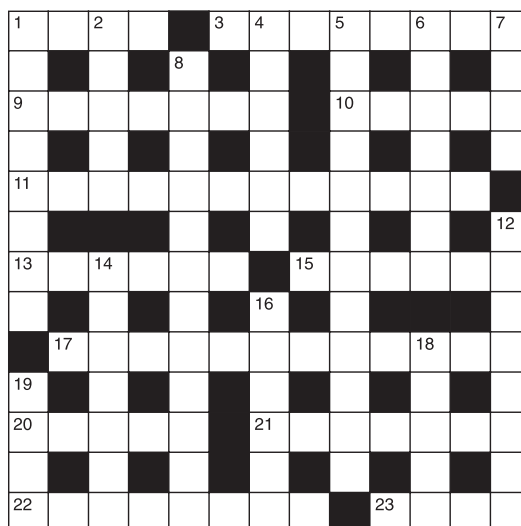
Cryptic

Across

- Shows respect for old-fashioned weapons (4)
- They have to wait on board (8)
- Romance can become a fine fiddle! (7)
- It's foolish to remove the contents (5)
- Two European nationalities will provide a good finish (6,6)
- Go through again what a badly worn motor may need (6)
- This enables one to change sides for a game (6)
- They are meant to hold what is in store (8-4)
- Statute now revoked, to be precise (5)
- Deliver radio without charge (3,4)
- Part of the rigging that leads to mother's violent death (8)
- Convey to southern terminus (4)

Down

- Defender to shoot - this is the result of bad timing (8)
- In which position you'll find her interrupting you and me (5)
- They keep on the move and make a racket in back-street (6)
- Their work can be seen in the round (12)
- Took up a different attitude and went to sleep (7)
- Bean that comes up in a day, ostensibly (4)
- The proper key to venue reserved for musical entertainment? (7,5)
- This will support those who have retired (8)
- Actively engages in execution - plenty of teachers want to! (7)
- A gala - if seat can be arranged (6)
- Show willingness to change gear near the end of the drive (5)
- Ray provides substantial support (4)



Scribble pad

Codeword

This puzzle has no clues. Instead, every number printed in the grid represents a letter, with the same number always representing the same letter. For example, if 8 turns out to be a V, you can write in V wherever a square contains 8. Using your knowledge of words, complete the puzzle.

20	14	17	17			10		21	22	22	7
	11			15	22	12	20	14		4	5
14	5	18	18	1		5		11	24	17	18
	19			26		23		13		23	18
	12	16	7	11	23	19	17	8		8	14
12				7		2			11		11
26	11	23	23	22	6		9	5	26	24	17
3		12				15		15			2
18	22	3		2	8	11	8	5	22	26	2
22		17		5		26		22		5	
25	22	18	22	26		25		8	11	16	17
19		18		2	8	17	7	2			20
2	8	11	3			15			4	5	17

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	S				I							
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

Wordsquare

Give yourself ten minutes to find as many words as possible using the letters in the grid. Each word must use the central letter and at least 3 others, and letters may be used only once. You cannot use plurals, foreign words or proper nouns, but verb forms ending in 's' are permitted. There is one 9-letter word to be found.

How you rate:

6 words - average; 9 words - good; 12 words - very good; 15 or more - excellent.

F	E	L
D	O	L
U	L	Y

Quick

Across

- Weapons (4)
- Ship's waiters (8)
- Italian city (7)
- Vacant (5)
- Wood varnish (6,6)
- Replace engine cylinders (6)
- Span (6)
- Grocery carriers (8-4)
- Precise (5)
- Release (3,4)
- Newspaper title (8)
- Remit (4)

Down

- Fail (8)
- In which place (5)
- Vagrants (6)
- Craftsmen (12)
- Rested (7)
- Type of bean (4)
- Specific musical frequency (7,5)
- Furniture item (8)
- Guillotine (7)
- Carnival (6)
- Concur (5)
- Rafter (4)

Quiz

- In which 2002 film did lawyer Sandra Bullock go to work for real estate developer and playboy Hugh Grant?
- In which country is the Black Sea port of Odessa?
- Which soft fabric is made from the undercoat of an Asian goat?
- What type of elephant has larger ears, the Indian or the African?
- By what name is American singer/songwriter Robert Allen Zimmerman known?
- Which Australian tennis player won the men's



Q1 - Sandra Bullock

- singles at Wimbledon in 1987?
- How many arms does an octopus have?
- Which Irish novelist wrote The Country Girls, Night and Returning?
- What name is given to a substance that cannot be broken down into simpler fragments by chemical means and that appears in a periodic table?
- What name is given to a mathematician employed by an insurance company to calculate premiums?

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

Pathfinder

Tropic Thunder, Madagascar, The Cable Guy, Starsky and Hutch, Next of Kin, Little Fockers, Stella, Along Came Polly, Zero Effect, DodgeBall, Hot Pursuit, Zoolander, Mystery Men, Duplex, Night at the Museum, Tower Heist, Highway to Hell, Anchorman, Megamind, If Lucy Fell, Meet the Parents.

Quiz

- It's Not Unusual; 2 Gerald Durrell;
- Caspian Sea; 4 Bulb; 5 Casablanca;
- Acts of the Apostles; 7 Annie Oakley;
- Cartography; 9 Helen of Troy;
- Jimmy Carter.

Two-Speed Crossword

Across: 6 Support; 7 Delay; 9 Minus; 10 Usurper; 12 Restoration; 14 Natural bent; 18 Talents; 19 Stool; 21 Three; 22 Coconut. Down: 1 Quail; 2 Spruce; 3 Ark; 4 Regret; 5 Matelot; 8 Ascribe; 11 Straits; 13 Earache; 15 Uneven; 16 Notion; 17 Bonus; 20 Pop.

Wordsquare

HARMONICA

Sudoku

5	2	3	1	4	8	6	9	7
9	8	4	3	6	7	2	1	5
1	6	7	2	5	9	3	4	8
7	5	6	9	2	4	8	3	1
4	3	1	7	8	6	9	5	2
8	9	2	5	3	1	4	7	6
2	1	5	8	9	3	7	6	4
3	4	8	6	7	5	1	2	9
6	7	9	4	1	2	5	8	3

8	1	7	5	2	3	4	9	6
4	2	5	6	9	7	3	8	1
3	9	6	8	1	4	5	7	2
9	5	8	7	4	1	6	2	3
2	4	1	3	8	6	7	5	9
6	7	3	9	5	2	1	4	8
5	3	2	4	6	9	8	1	7
7	8	9	1	3	5	2	6	4
1	6	4	2	7	8	9	3	5

Split Decision

S	T	A	N	D
T		C		R
E	X	T	R	A
A		E		M
M	E	D	I	A

Codeword

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
N	F	Y	M	O	Z	R	L	V	E	B	G	T
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GLOBAL STYLE

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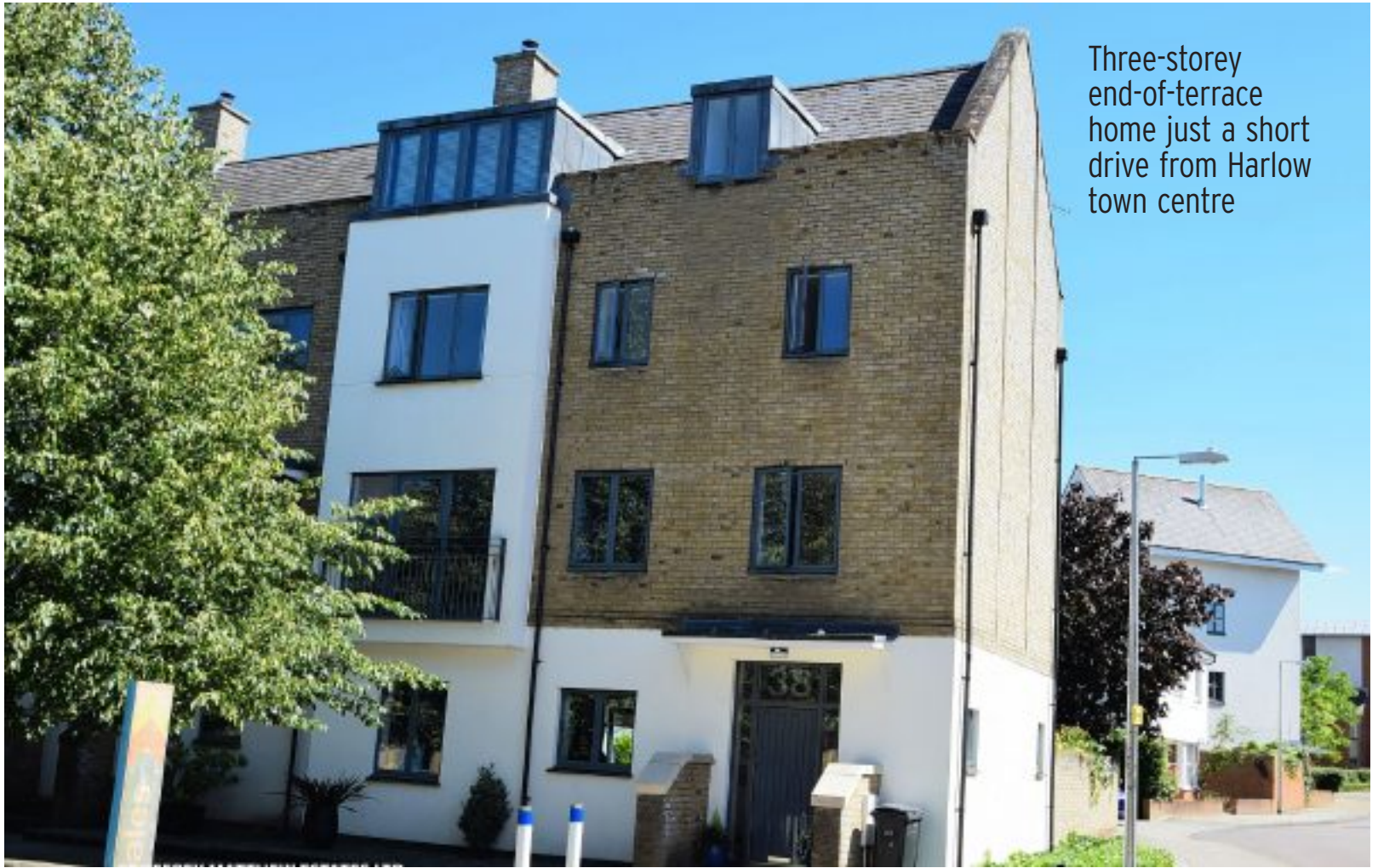


ANOTHER LEVEL



This unique, end-of-terrace home in Harlow is
set across three storeys **SEE PAGES 42&43**

HOT HOUSE



Three-storey end-of-terrace home just a short drive from Harlow town centre

FAMILY HOME WITH FIVE BEDROOMS



A unique five-bedroom terraced house in Harlow has just come onto the market and it could soon be yours. An unusually wide end-of-terrace home, the property – marketed by Geoffrey Matthew Estates – is located on The Chase.

With tree-lined views up the street and bags of space inside, this house could soon become someone's dream home.

The property has been completely remodelled on the ground floor and offers a modern open-plan kitchen diner as well as a sitting room.

The main living room is located on the first floor of the house and, as well as being an attractive room, has full-height windows and doors opening onto a forward facing Juliette balcony.

The fourth bedroom, which is currently being used as an office, is also located on this floor, with a large picture window overlooking the rear garden.

Moving up to the second floor you will find bedroom two – complete with en-suite – bedroom three and bedroom five.

There is also a large family bathroom complete with a full white suite.

The third floor is home to the property's master bedroom, which is spacious and cosy with built in his and hers wardrobes.

The master bedroom also comes with its own recently re-fitted bathroom, including a panelled bath with a rainforest style shower over.

Outside the house comes with an enclosed part-walled rear garden, having been landscaped with a smart granite patio.

The rear gate also leads out to a tandem-length driveway and garage.

The Chase is located close to Church Langley Playing Fields and is a few minutes' drive from Harlow town centre.

With rail links to London from Harlow Town and Harlow Mill train stations, the property will also appeal to any potential commuters.

The house is on the market at £535,000. For more details 01279 444988.

SELLING POINTS

Number of bedrooms... Five
Garden... Enclosed and part-walled rear garden which is landscaped with a patio area
USP... Large five-bedroom, three-storey end-of-terrace property which is close to direct rail links to London
Price... £535,000



YOUR HOME

Style knows no boundaries... **GABRIELLE FAGAN** explores stylish ways to conjure a faraway feel right now

Decor has always been influenced by looks from around the world, and currently, all eyes are turned to the East.

You can choose from Chinese style – renowned for its glossy, lacquered furniture, delicate patterns and glowing colours – or more sultry Moroccan ‘souk’ style, with its earthy shades enlivened by Moorish patterns on tiles and fabrics.

“Both the interiors and fashion worlds are looking East this season, with the emergence of some distinctively Oriental designs,” says Nadia McCowan Hill, Wayfair’s resident style advisor. “You can make a style statement; choose a chinoiserie-inspired wallpaper featuring anything from ornate dragons to delicate cherry blossoms.

“A hand-painted lacquered cabinet emblazoned with birds and butterflies makes a strong focal piece, or go for furniture with bamboo-style legs, your passport to the season’s most exotic trend.

“If muted neutrals and a chilled vibe is more to your taste, conjure your own Moroccan sanctuary,” she suggests.

“Shades can range from rich golden browns to golden desert sand, but red, orange, deep blues and greens also feature in intricate tiled patterns. With low seating, grouped around a coffee table, rugs, wall hangings and an abundance of lanterns, you’ll capture the essence of souk style.”

LET EAST MEET WEST

“In bold contrast to the understated, our Eastern Palace decor collection is a grand alternative to minimalism,” says Jason Masterton-Copley, head of design, Very. “An arresting mix of oriental prints and Persian motifs come together with velvet textures, fretwork and opulent metallics, to demonstrate that more can be more.

EAST MEETS WEST



Magic set of two silver-plated lanterns, down from £49.99 to £27.99, Studio

“Think rich dark tones, such as reds, deep violets and pinks, teals, chocolate and cherry, creating a look of extravagance in the home,” he adds. “Pinky peach and dusted mint

stand out as ideal accents for soft furnishings, as do blossom and Oriental bird prints, which are all paired with warm gold or copper to complement the look.”

Symmetry is a key principle in Eastern-style rooms; a pair of objects is visually pleasing to the eye. Create a chic feature corner with two Tiffany fabric accent chairs, currently reduced to £119 from £249 and available in a range of sumptuous colours, and accessorise with Eastern-style cushions, and an Ideal Home scratched copper decorative vase, £22.99, all from Very.

MAKE MOROCCAN MAGIC

“Moroccan-inspired

Arthouse Kotori blush screen room divider, reduced from £99.99 to £79.99, Very

homeware is perfect for adding a dash of flavour to an interior. Embracing a kaleidoscope of colour and ornate detailing, it’s a maximalist’s dream,” says Nadia.

“Channel the bright bohemian qualities of a Marrakech souk, by opting for an abundance of cushions

embellished with tassels and sequins, or opt for textured Berber-style rugs to add a luxe layer under foot,” she suggests.

“Twinkling lanterns, tapestry-style wall hangings and ornately carved furniture are other hallmarks of this bold, beautiful and distinctly global trend.”



Qing white large sideboard, £549, The Nine Schools

Moroccan duvet cover set, £15.99; lanterns from a selection, Wayfair



Moroccan 1-light mini pendant, £286.99, Wayfair



Deco divan headboard £99; Kyasha blossom hand painted and foil canvas, reduced from £34.99 to £29.99; Eastern palace medallion wall art £34.99; Kyasha butterfly cushion £29.99; Kotori blush cushion £19.99; Harlequin Demoiselle silk cushion, gold, £59; Harlequin Demoiselle Oxford pillowcase £25; Jade oriental duvet cover set from £25, Very



Moroccan sequin floor cushion, £110, Monsoon



Arthouse Kotori blush cushion (reversible) £19.99 Very

Aero cushion cover, orange, £12.99, Wayfair



*Prices correct at time of going to print. Offers available while stocks last

Tiffany fabric accent chair, £249-£119; Ideal Home scratched copper decorative vase, £22.99; Arthouse Kotori blush cushion (reversible) £19.99, Very



Hand-carved blossom rug, from £119.99-£299.99, Studio

Cocktail shaker, £24, Oliver Bonas



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HOME ADVICE

With Alex Neill of Which?

The internet has changed the way we sell our homes, but high-street agents are fighting back - so you need to know...

On average, we sell properties - our own or when family members die - around every seven years. Selling is not cheap - on a £200,000 property, expect to fork out at least £3,000 (including VAT) in estate agent fees and legal costs.

And, as bills are usually related to the property's value rather than work involved, pricier homes cost more.

But selling with online agents can cut costs to around a third of typical high street bills.

As with anything online, you'll have to do some work yourself. Currently, according to Which?, around one in twelve go online but that's growing fast.

The obvious plus point of online estate agents is cost, with around a dozen companies to choose from.

The cheapest selling package appears to be doorsteps.co.uk whose basic deal weighs in at £99. Others such as emooov and house network come in at £795 while purple bricks is £849 and housesimple £995. All rates include VAT - estate agents often quote commission excluding VAT.

What you see is not always what you pay. Many have add-ons such as around £150 for organising property visits and a for-sale sign outside the property can be an extra. Others charge for writing property descriptions.

It can depend on how much you are confident doing yourself, including negotiating with prospective purchasers.

Your home will probably end up on property portals such as Right Move or Zoopla, so it competes with estate agent offerings. Most online agents will value your property - usually by comparing yours with similar homes.

A second choice is whether you want a no-sale, no fee deal or one where you pay no matter if the property sells or not.

Hatched.co.uk charges £495 for its standard package where you pay

WHICH AGENT IS BEST FOR YOU?

Which?

upfront. If you don't have the money, then you can pay later with its "enhanced" £895 deal. And if you want no-sale, no-fee, this agent will charge £1,695.

Both online and bricks and mortar estate agents have to adhere to the same regulations, including membership of an ombudsman -scheme.

Some such as Purple Bricks try to offer the best of both worlds. These "hybrid agents", put you in touch with a "Local Property Expert" to value your house, take photos and organise viewings.

High street estate agents are fighting back though. Many now offer fixed-price deals at lower prices than the traditional structure or have slashed commission rates.

FOR SALE

The new options for selling a property mean you can get a deal tailored to your specific needs



GETTING THE MOST FOR YOUR MONEY

■ **FIND** out exactly what you get for your money before signing up online.

■ **SOME** online agents will haggle so you get the best price. But unlike high street agents where fees depend on selling prices, this will earn no more than telling you to accept the first offer.

■ **CHECK** if the online agent has any way of filtering time-wasters (and worse) from viewings. Ensure you are comfortable showing people around yourself.

■ **IN** Which?'s experience, some

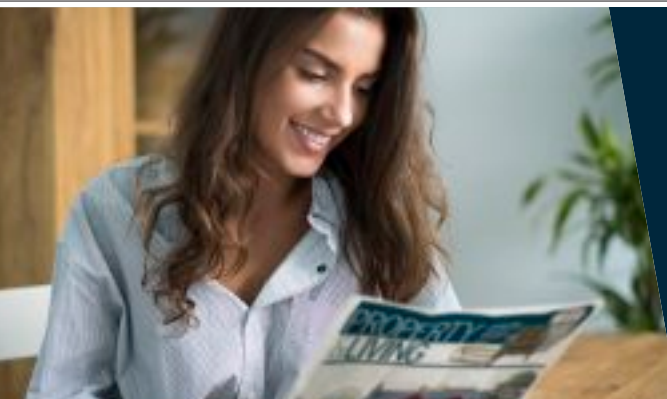
agents - online and high street - exaggerate values to get your business. Then you may have to reduce the asking price.

■ **WATCH** out for agents who insist on you using the conveyancing lawyers they recommend. You'll probably find solicitors cheaper online - with the same consumer protection.

■ **IF** your home is unusual, local estate agents are often better.

■ **BUYERS** should ask to share online agent savings with sellers.

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YOUR HOME

These nifty devices could help you save money and even save the planet, TV property stars Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer tell **LISA SALMON**

Saving money and energy is smart – and one of the easiest ways to do both is to have a smart meter installed.

More than 11 million have already been fitted in homes and small businesses across the UK, and now TV property experts Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer, along with comedian Susan Calman, are touring the nation to encourage more householders to choose a smart meter.

The power trio are visiting 10 cities around the UK over the summer as part of the Smart Energy GB Campaign for a Smarter Britain (smartenergygb.org/en), talking to people about the benefits of the clever little devices, which could help households save enough energy each year to power their home for a week – adding up to a national total of nearly £560 million saved annually.

The beauty of smart meters is that they clearly show how much money a household is spending on energy every day, thereby making it more obvious that families might be able to save energy here and there by turning more lights off, turning down the heating a little, etc.

Indeed, if every home in the country got a smart meter, we could save enough energy to power every household in Aberdeen, Cardiff and Manchester for a year.

Kirstie says: “How can you know you’re wasting energy if you can’t see it? I believe if we all get smart meters, it will help make our country greener. My smart meter will be right up there with those things that I can’t imagine living without once I’ve spent enough time with it – a bit like Phil really.”

Phil adds: “Choosing a smart meter over your current analogue one can save time, energy and money, so my message to the public on this tour will be to take a step closer to a home that does the hard work for you.”

IS IT TIME TO GET SMART?

Here, the pair answer some of the questions they’ve been tackling on their tour...

1 DO PEOPLE HAVE TO HAVE A SMART METER?

Phil says: “It’s not compulsory to have a smart meter, it’s completely your choice. The government requires energy suppliers to offer smart meters to all homes and small businesses across Great Britain by 2020, but whether you accept them is completely up to you.”

2 HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Kirstie says: “Getting a smart meter is free and if we all got one, we could save Great Britain nearly £560m a year. Additionally, it’s time for a change in how we use our energy – our current system is outdated. The analogue meters we’re used to are not fit for modern living. And that’s why we’re campaigning for people to choose a smarter Britain.”

3 HOW DOES A SMART METER SAVE 2-3% ON ENERGY BILLS?

“The smart meter itself won’t save you money, it’s your behaviour that will

change,” explains Phil. “The way you monitor and use your energy is what makes the difference to how much money you can save.”

“With smart meters, you can see how much you’re spending in pounds and pence. By being better informed, you’re able to see what changes can be made to reduce your energy usage and consequently reduce your energy costs. Additionally, smart meters bring an end to estimated bills by sending readings to your supplier automatically, meaning you can be more confident to pay what you’ve actually used.”

4 IS THE AMOUNT A SMART METER HELPS YOU SAVE WORTH IT?

“The more effort you make, the more you save,” stresses Kirstie. “When the smart meter is in front of you, you engage with it and can see how much you’re actually using and when.”

“Choosing a smart meter will save you time, energy, and money. It could help you save enough energy to power your home for a week. It doesn’t cost you anything to have one installed, and it brings with it a number of benefits, such as being in control of

your usage and no more shock or estimated bills.”

5 ARE THE METERS JUST INSTALLED WHERE THE OLD ELECTRICITY OR GAS METER WAS?

“Yes, smart meters replace your traditional analogue meters and are typically installed in the same place,” says Phil. “You’re also provided at no extra cost with an ‘In Home Display’, which is connected and is a visible display of the amount of energy you’re using. This can be placed anywhere in the home.”

6 WHAT ACCESS IS NEEDED FOR A SMART METER TO BE INSTALLED?

Phil explains: “You need to get in contact with your energy company to arrange a free installation and they’ll be able to discuss the access you need. You’ll need to provide them with clear access to the meter and be at home for the installation.”

7 ARE THE DISPLAYS EASY TO UNDERSTAND?

“They’re very easy to understand, and I’m not technically minded,” admits Kirstie. “They’re intuitive. On the

display, you can see how much you’re spending in pounds and pence, rather than kWh – something that’s meaningless to most of us. You can also see whether your energy usage is high, medium or low from just a quick glance.”

8 WHAT REACTIONS ARE YOU GETTING FROM PEOPLE YOU’VE SPOKEN TO ON THE TOUR?

“People are surprised it’s free to install a smart meter – it saves you money and helps the environment, and this adds up for the country as a whole,” says Phil.

“You’re either part of the solution or part of the problem.”

“We need to look after our planet. When that’s spelled out to people, it leaves a mark.”

“People are always wary of change, but when you stop to think that 20 years ago, nobody recycled and now it’s become a social norm, that’s what will happen with smart meters,” he adds.

“We have so much data in our lives but not on energy, the very thing we spend a huge amount on, which doesn’t make any sense.”

Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer kick off their smart meter campaign



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YOUR GARDEN

With Diarmuid Gavin

Spring is the time for sowing seeds, especially annuals – those plants which germinate, flower and die all in the same year. However there is another category of plant – biennials – which can be sown in early to mid-summer.

These plants take two years to complete their life cycle – sow now and they will germinate and form a rosette of leaves this year, followed by a spike of flowers next spring. The plant will then set seed and die in the autumn.

Many of our most-loved flowers fall into this category, such as foxgloves, forget-me-nots, Queen Anne's Lace, Sweet Williams and wallflowers.

So if you'd like to see these in your garden next year, harvest or buy some seed now and get propagating.

You won't get the quick gratification that annuals provide, but with a little patience and dedication you will be rewarded with colourful and often fragrant flowers that both you, the bees and butterflies will enjoy. Here is my pick of the crop:

Oenothera biennis, or evening primrose is a tall biennial that grows up to 1.5 metres with yellow flowers.

These only open at night to release their fragrance – this is to attract night-time pollinators such as moths. It's a good choice for poor soil so long as it's well drained and in the sunshine, and once you have it, it will self-seed happily, making it a great choice if you like an informal look in your garden.

It's hugely popular as a herbal remedy – the oil in the seeds contain fatty acids that are used to help with hormonal and other health issues.

Digitalis because who doesn't like a foxglove? Elegant spires covered in bell-shaped blossoms and if you look

Game of patience

Nurture these biennials and then sit back for a super show of colour when they flower next year

closely, you will often see the hairy back of a bumble bee buried within nuzzling away for nectar.

The flowers form capsules – open these and you will see the plant's tiny brown seeds inside. You can scatter these straight into the soil but you'll need to be eagle-eyed when weeding to avoid removing the subsequent seedlings.

You can also propagate in seed modules or pots. Scatter on the surface of pre-wetted seed

compost and don't cover as they need the light to germinate.

Lunaria annua, or Honesty is grown as much for its attractive purple flowers in spring as for its beautiful disc-shaped translucent silver pods – a florist's favourite in their dried form.

There's also a lovely white variety 'albiflora'. Sow well spaced in seed trays where they will take about a fortnight to germinate.

You want to get them planted into

their final flowering positions outside in September/October so they have time to establish roots.

Dianthus barbatus, or Sweet William, like all members of the Dianthus family – it's all about that delicious sweet clove scent.

The Duchess of Cambridge included a white version in her wedding bouquet, which was a delightful romantic gesture to her new husband.

Otherwise they come in bright pinks and reds and there's a lovely dark variety called 'Sooty' with very dark ruby blossoms and chocolate-coloured foliage. Sow seeds in early summer and plant out to final positions either in autumn or next spring into fertile soil, adding some slow-release fertiliser to the planting hole.

Sunshine is best for flower production and they make excellent cut flowers.

Lunaria Annua
- Honesty



Echinium
Pininana
- Giant
Viper's
Bugloss



Oenothera Biennis
- evening primrose



Digitalis
- foxglove

JOB'S FOR THE WEEK

■ It's a battle at the moment to keep everything hydrated. Keep a basin in your kitchen sink and use the dishwasher for your pots and containers.

■ It's a good time to take softwood and semi-ripe cuttings – this is a great way to grow expensive plants such as Buxus.

■ Take cuttings from tender plants to over-winter indoors.

■ Pinch out tomato shoots. Feed tomatoes, peppers and cucumber with high-potash fertiliser once fruits start to form.

■ Check for cabbage white butterfly eggs under cabbage leaves and remove.

■ Sow spring cabbage, turnips, fennel and autumn/winter salads.

■ Cherry, plum and peach trees can be pruned if

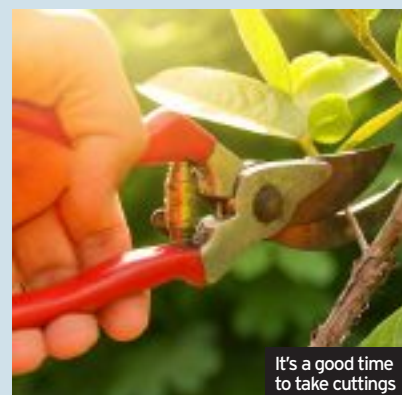
needs be now – this is a job you can't do in winter as there is a risk of silver leaf disease.

■ Stop climbing beans when they reach the tops of their stakes so they divert energy to cropping on sideshoots.

■ Missed the potato planting season? You can get cold-stored tubers which can be planted now and will mature for Christmas.



Cabbage white
butterfly eggs



It's a good time
to take cuttings



Dianthus Barbatus
- Sweet William

Echium pininana, or Giant Viper's Bugloss is one of my favourite plants. It's great for adding drama and excitement because it grows several metres tall. I have them growing at the front of the house where they happily self-seed. I've noticed they sometimes take an

additional year to complete their life cycle – the middle year they gather their strength to send up these enormous spikes covered in violet blue flowers. I can think of no other plant that attracts the same number of bees – their buzzing is the sound of summer for me!

ASK DIARMUID

Q Why does my magnolia have flowers and leaves all on one side and nothing at all on the other? It had to be moved two years ago, but last year it was lovely with lots of leaves and blossoming flower.

A Dixon

A In general, magnolias don't like being uprooted and moved so your tree may be sulking a bit before settling down properly again. The flower buds on a magnolia form

the previous year which could explain why you got full blossoms the first year after moving it.

However, the fact that there are no leaves at all on one side is more concerning. Just lightly scratch the bark and it should be green underneath – if so the branches are still alive.

Finally, is that side too cramped, shady or dry? Keep it well watered and next spring give it some fertiliser as a boost.



Magnolias don't like being moved

PLANT OF THE WEEK

PENSTEMON 'GARNET'

This is a jewel of a plant that sparkles – it's laden with deep pink-red blossoms at the moment and should keep going until the beginning of autumn.

It's an easy care perennial that doesn't need staking. It grows happily in sunshine or semi-shade, though it doesn't like being flooded in winter. Deadhead by removing the

spike of faded flowers and use liquid feed fortnightly to keep the display going.

It's hardy but in very cold places you could apply a mulch in winter.

I'd leave the dead stems on over winter as a form of protection, then cut back to buds a couple of inches above ground in April.



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- Conservatory
- Rear Garden With Rear Access
- Downstairs WC
- EPC Rating: C

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Malkin Drive

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- Driveway For One Vehicle
- Double Glazing Throughout
- Modern Fitted Bathroom
- EPC Rating: C

£340,000



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Doulton Close

- Three Bedroom House
- End Of Terrace
- Parking For Multiple Vehicles
- Integral Garage
- En-Suite To Master
- EPC Rating: D

£350,000



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Ridgeway

- Three Bedroom Linked-Detached
- Large South Facing Garden
- Driveway & Garage (With Electric Door)
- Fantastic Natural Daylight
- Potential To Extend To The Rear & Side
- Awaiting EPC Rating

£399,995



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St John's Avenue

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached House
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- Three Double Bedrooms
- Additional Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow
- Garage
- EPC Rating: E

£450,000



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- Four Bedroom Detached Family Home
- Immaculate Throughout
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Open Plan Living Area
- Garage & Drive
- EPC Rating: B

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Malkin Drive.

- Two Bedroom Mid-Terraced House
- Two DOUBLE Bedrooms
- En-Suite To Master Bedroom
- Off Street Parking For Two Cars
- Recently Decorated Throughout
- E.P.C. Rating: D

£299,995



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- South Facing Rear Garden With Rear Access
- CHAIN FREE
- EPC Rating: D



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Canons Brook

£240,000

- A Two Bedroom Mid - Terrace House
- Ground Floor Family Bathroom
- Approx. 120ft Secluded Rear Garden With Rear Access.
- Situated within a Residential Cul - De Sac
- Potential To Extend To The Rear (STTP)
- EPC Rating: D



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Sycamore Field

£255,000

- A Three Bedroom End Of Terrace House
- Open-Planned Kitchen/ Diner
- Secluded Rear Garden With Rear Access
- First Floor Family Bathroom
- Ideal For First Time Buyer, Home Movers or Investors
- EPC Rating: B



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Brockles Mead

£259,950

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- Three DOUBLE Bedrooms
- Utility Room
- Garage
- Downstairs WC
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NEW INSTRUCTION

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£269,995

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- Two DOUBLE Bedrooms
- First Floor Family Bathroom
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- EPC Rating: D



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Fennells

£285,000

- A Three Bedroom Mid - Terrace House
- Low Maintenance Rear Garden & Front Garden
- Kitchen/ Diner
- Close Proximity Of The Local Shops And School
- Downstairs Shower Room & First Floor Family Room
- EPC Rating: C



VIEWINGS ADVISED

Pynenest Road

£369,995

- A Three Bedroom Semi- Detached House
- Private Driveway
- Landscaped Rear Garden
- Downstairs WC
- Conservatory
- EPC Rating: D



NEW INSTRUCTION

Northbrooks

£250,000

- Two Bedroom Terraced House
- Lounge/Diner Overlooking Garden
- Approx 48ft South Facing Garden
- Separate WC
- CHAIN FREE
- EPC Rating D



NEW INSTRUCTION

Torkildsen Way

£375,000

- A Three Bedroom Semi - Detached House
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- En-suite To The Master Bedroom
- Downstairs WC
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- Semi - Detached
- Off Street Parking

- Garage
- Double Glazing Throughout
- Gas Central Heating



WESTBURY RISE £335,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Garage & Driveway
- Downstairs W.C
- Close to Schools
- Close Amenities
- NO ONWARD CHAIN



OLD HARLOW £370,000

- Three Bedroom Detached Home
- Heart of Old Harlow
- No Onward Chain
- Easy Access to all Amenities
- Good Size Lounge
- En-Suite Shower Room to Master Bedroom
- Neatly Enclosed Courtyard Style Rear Garden



FINCHMOOR £380,000

- Three Bedroom Semi detached House
- Large Lounge Diner
- Garage & Drive
- Potential to Extend (subject to planning)
- Good Size Garden
- Double Glazed
- Close to all Local Amenities



Hare Street Springs £425,000

- Three Bedroom Family Home
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Unique Property
- Single Garage & Driveway
- Two Rear Gardens
- Close to All Amenities



Greenfinch Way OIEO £431,000

- Four Bedroom Detached Home
- Large Kitchen Diner
- Lounge
- En-Suite to Master Bedroom
- Modern Fitted Bathroom
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Garage



New
Instruction

LANCASTER GATE

£250,000

- Detached Bungalow
- Off street Parking
- Gas Central Heating
- Could be Offered Chain Free

- Lounge 13'3 x 16'10
- Modern Kitchen & Bathroom
- Viewing Recommended



NEWHALL £452,995

- Four Bedroom Family Home
- Detached
- Immaculate Throughout
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Open Plan Living Area
- Garage & Drive
- Close to Schools & Shops



NEWHALL £535,000

- Large Five Bedroom End of Terrace Town House
- Smartly Decorated Throughout
- Sitting Room Overlooking Garden
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Huge Lounge
- Top Floor Master Suite
- Four Further Bedrooms



CHURCH LANGLEY

OIRO £485,000

- Four/Five Bedroom Detached Home
- Garage Conversion
- Conservatory
- Downstairs Cloakroom

- Driveway for Multiple Vehicles
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Close to all Local Amenities

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BROMLEY CLOSE £900 PCM

- Two Bed Apartment
- En-Suite To Master
- Must Be Viewed
- New Carpets/Decorated
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Allocated Parking
- Available Now
- EPC Rating E



MILLERSDALE £1,295 PCM

- Detached Character Property
- EPC Rating E
- Kitchen/Diner
- Four Bedrooms - 3 Doubles
- GCH/Double Glazing
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Available Now



SHAWBRIDGE £1,150 PCM

- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- No Pets
- No Smokers
- Available August 2018
- EPC Rating D
- * Admin Fees Apply



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GREAT PLUMTREE £900 PCM

- Two Bedrooms
- Third Bedroom/Study/Dining Room
- Stow Location
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Gas Central Heating
- EPC Rating D
- White Goods
- Top Floor
- Available Now

NEW LISTING



LOWER SHEERING £1,100 PCM

- Three Bed Apartment
- Close To Station
- Allocated Parking Space
- Balcony With Marina Views
- Available Mid July
- * Admin Fees Apply
- EPC Rating C



CROUCH COURT £675 PCM

- One Bedroom
- First Floor Flat
- Close to Hospital/Town
- * Admin Fees Apply
- White Goods Only
- EPC Rating D
- One Allocated parking



Bonded Client Account



BROADFIELDS £800 PCM

- Two Bed 1st Floor Flat
- Gas Central Heating
- Next To Town
- Part Furnished
- EPC Rating D
- Available Now
- * Admin Fees Apply

NEW LISTING



OLD HARLOW £1,100 PCM

- Cherry Blossom Close
- Two Bedroom Bungalow
- Close To All Amenities
- EPC Rating D
- Available End July
- * Admin Fees Apply



RECTORY WOOD £775 PCM

- One Bedroom Flat
- Refurbished
- Kitchen Appliances
- EPC Rating C
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Next To Hosp/Town
- Available Now



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WESTBURY RISE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Four Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Kitchen/Family Room
- Conservatory
- Detached House
- Double Detached Garage
- Immaculate Home
- EPC Rating: D

£585,000



CHELSEA GARDENS, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Six Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- En-Suite Shower
- Garage & Drive
- Utility & W.C.
- Riptide Swim Spa
- EPC Rating: TBC

£549,995



CHAIN FREE **GLEBELANDS, HARLOW**

- Three Double Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Chain Free
- Premier Location
- Detached Home
- Conservatory
- Quiet Cul-De-Sac
- EPC Rating: TBC

£499,995



TICKENHALL DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Four Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Popular Location
- Garage & Driveway
- Detached Home
- En-Suite Shower
- Westerly Garden
- EPC Rating: D

£434,995



NEW **CHAIN FREE** **GREEN STREET, NEWHALL**

- Three Double Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Family Room
- Utility Room
- Chain Free
- Detached House
- En-Suite Bathroom
- Garage & Parking
- EPC Rating: C

£409,995



PADDOCK MEAD, HARLOW

- Three/Four Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Quiet Cul-de-Sac
- Well Presented
- Link Detached Home
- Ground Floor WC
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D

£400,000



CHAIN FREE **WESTBURY RISE, CHURCH LANGLEY**

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Ground Floor W.C.
- Chain Free
- Semi Detached
- Popular Location
- Garage & Drive
- EPC Rating: C

£335,000



CHAIN FREE **LUTTON GREEN, HARLOW**

- Three Bedrooms
- Driveway
- Two Reception Rooms
- CHAIN FREE
- Semi Detached
- Popular Location
- Potential To Extend (STPP)
- EPC Rating: TBC

£329,995



NEW PRICE **RUNDELLS, HARLOW**

- Three Bedrooms
- Driveway
- Well Presented
- Chain Free
- Middle Terrace
- Two Reception Rooms
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£300,000



NEW **CHAIN FREE** **LITTLE CATTINS, HARLOW**

- Three Bedrooms
- Garage
- Popular Location
- Chain Free
- Middle Terrace
- Outskirts Of Harlow
- Kitchen/Diner
- EPC Rating: TBC

£279,995



WHARLEY HOOK, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Ground Floor W.C.
- Close To Amenities
- Terraced Home
- Popular Location
- Southerly Garden
- EPC Rating: TBC

£274,995



DOULTON CLOSE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Two Parking Spaces
- Quiet Cul-De-Sac
- Middle Terrace
- Popular Location
- Fitted Wardrobes
- EPC Rating: TBC

£274,995



CHAIN FREE **LOWER MEADOW, HARLOW**

- Four Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Ground Floor WC
- Chain Free
- End Terrace House
- Popular Location
- Ideal Investment
- EPC Rating: TBC

£245,000



CHAIN FREE **MILWARDS, HARLOW**

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Cloakroom/WC
- Chain Free
- Terraced House
- Ideal Investment
- Potential To Improve
- EPC Rating: C

£239,995



SPRUCE HILL, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- Modern Bathroom
- Terraced House
- Close To Common
- Southerly Garden
- EPC Rating: D

£239,995



COALPORT CLOSE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Two Bedrooms
- Allocated Parking
- Lounge/Diner
- First Floor
- Apartment
- Popular Location
- Communal Garden
- EPC Rating: TBC

£215,000



ALEXANDRA ROAD, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Allocated Parking
- Open Plan Kitchen/Diner
- First Floor
- Apartment
- Popular Location
- Large Loft
- EPC Rating: TBC

£214,995



CHAIN FREE **MILESTONE ROAD, NEWHALL**

- Two Bedrooms
- Allocated Parking
- Open Plan Living
- Chain Free
- Ground Floor Apartment
- Popular Location
- Intercom Entry System
- EPC Rating: C

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BURLEY HILL, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Four/Five Bedrooms
- Two Reception
- Conservatory
- Garage & Driveway
- Detached House
- Two En-Suites
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- EPC Rating: D

£464,995



DAVENPORT, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Four Bedrooms
- Two Reception
- Conservatory
- Garage & Drive
- Detached House
- Dressing Room
- Two Bathrooms
- EPC Rating: C

£455,000



THE CHASE, NEWHALL

- Four Bedrooms
- Two Reception
- Stunning Home
- Garage & Parking
- End Terrace
- Two Bathrooms
- Kitchen/Bkfst Room
- EPC Rating: C

£450,000



CHAIN FREE

DENBY GRANGE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception
- En-Suite Shower Room
- Chain Free
- Detached House
- Garage & Driveway
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D

£374,995



MULBERRY GREEN, OLD HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Modern Kitchen
- Open Plan Living
- Parking Area
- End Of Terrace
- Pretty Cottage
- Private Location
- EPC Rating: B

£374,995



MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Three Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Immaculate Home
- Kitchen/Diner
- Semi Detached
- Popular Location
- Ensuite To Master
- EPC Rating: TBC

£365,000



CHAIN FREE

WOODING GROVE, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- CHAIN FREE
- Current HMO
- Semi Detached
- 40ft Garden
- Close To Town
- EPC Rating: TBC

£295,000



MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Cloakroom/WC
- Garage & Parking
- Terraced House
- En-Suite Shower
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: C

£290,000



MARKWELL WOOD, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Modern Bathroom
- Allocated Parking
- End Of Terrace
- South/West Facing Garden
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£284,995



CHAIN FREE

THE HOO, OLD HARLOW

- Two Double Bedrooms
- Potential For Driveway
- Two Reception
- Chain Free
- Semi Detached
- Conservatory
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£265,000



LONG BANKS, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Bkfst Room
- Well Presented
- Separate Bath & W.C
- End Of Terrace
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- uPVC Glazing
- EPC Rating: TBC

£254,995



LITTLE PYNCHONS, HARLOW

- Two Double Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Outbuilding
- Close To Bush Fair
- Middle Terrace
- Overlooking Green
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£250,000



PRIORY COURT, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Balcony
- Garage En-Bloc
- Private Apartment
- First Floor
- Modern Kitchen
- EPC Rating: C

£229,995



NEW

HASLERS PLACE, DUNMOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Top Floor
- Modern Kitchen
- Underground Parking
- Stunning Apartment
- En-Suite Shower
- Recent Bathroom
- EPC Rating: B

£224,995



PRIORY COURT, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Balcony
- Garage En-Bloc
- Private Apartment
- Top Floor
- Well Presented
- EPC Rating: TBC

£219,995



RED WILLOW, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Well Presented
- Lounge/Diner
- Juliette Balcony
- First Floor Apartment
- Fitted Wardrobes
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£194,995



NEW

WILLOWFIELD, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Well Presented
- Balcony
- Apartment
- Top Floor
- External Storage
- EPC Rating: D

£194,995



REGENCY COURT, HARLOW

- One Bedroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Communal Garden
- Chain Free
- Ground Floor
- Apartment
- Residents Parking
- EPC Rating: D

£140,000

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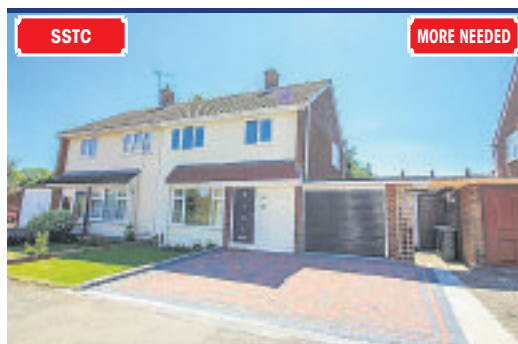


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MORE NEEDED

Sunny Croft, Harlow**£424,995**

- Five Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Utility Room
- Two En-Suite Shower Rooms
- Detached House
- Driveway For 4/5 Cars
- Westerly Garden
- EPC Rating: E



SSTC

MORE NEEDED

Chapel Fields, Harlow**£399,995**

- Three Bedrooms
- Immaculate Home
- Garage & Driveway
- Chain Free
- Semi Detached House
- Southerly Garden
- Two Receptions
- EPC Rating: TBC



SSTC

MORE NEEDED

Coalport Close, Church Langley**£324,995**

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Cloakroom/WC
- Driveway & Parking
- End Of Terrace
- Immaculate Home
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC



SSTC

MORE NEEDED

Keefield, Harlow**£325,000**

- Three Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Desirable Location
- Kitchen/Diner
- Semi Detached Home
- Southerly Garden
- Quiet Cul-De-Sac
- EPC Rating: TBC



SSTC

MORE NEEDED

Pennymead, Harlow**£289,995**

- Three Bedrooms
- Large Driveway
- Kitchen Diner
- Well Presented
- Terraced Home
- Popular Location
- Southerly Garden
- EPC Rating: TBC



SSTC

MORE NEEDED

Barn Mead, Harlow**£279,995**

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Ground Floor WC
- Chain Free
- Middle Terrace
- Westerly Garden
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D

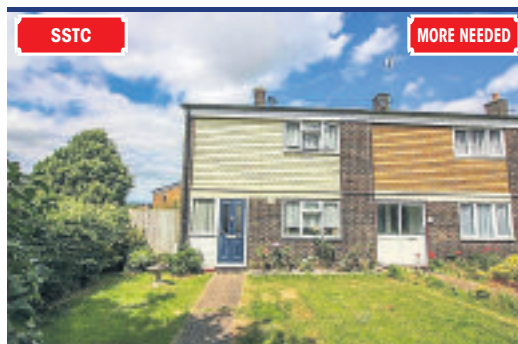


SSTC

MORE NEEDED

Sycamore Field, Harlow**£279,995**

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Cloakroom/WC
- Outskirts Of Town
- Terraced House
- Westerly Garden
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: C



SSTC

MORE NEEDED

Radburn Close, Harlow**£249,995**

- Two Bedrooms
- Modern Bathroom
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Close To Common
- End Of Terrace
- Corner Garden
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: C



SSTC

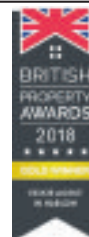
MORE NEEDED

Peterswood, Harlow**£159,995**

- One Bedroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Immaculate
- CHAIN FREE
- First Floor
- Apartment
- Communal Gardens
- EPC Rating: D

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...A Selection Of Properties From Our Lettings Portfolio...



TO LET

Wayside Farm, Harlow**£2,500 P.C.M**

- Five Bedrooms
- Double Garage & Driveway
- Immaculate Throughout
- Available June 2018
- Fantastic Detached Home
- Overlooking Harlow Common
- Unfurnished
- EPC Rating: TBC



TO LET

Langdale Street, Newhall**£1,750 P.C.M**

- Four Bedrooms
- Double Driveway
- Open Plan Living
- Available September 2018
- Detached House
- Popular Location
- Unfurnished
- EPC Rating: TBC



TO LET

Markwell Wood, Harlow**£1,050 P.C.M**

- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Unfurnished
- Allocated Parking
- Terraced Home
- Outskirts Of Town
- Available Mid August
- EPC Rating: D



TO LET

Hornbeams, Harlow**£995 P.C.M**

- Two Bedrooms
- Close To Station
- Unfurnished
- Available End of August
- Terraced Home
- Lounge/Diner
- Recently Decorated
- EPC Rating: TBC



TO LET

Dadswood, Harlow**£850 P.C.M**

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Recently Redecorated
- Available Now
- Apartment
- Top Floor
- Unfurnished
- EPC Rating: C



TO LET

Netteswell Tower, Harlow**£725 P.C.M**

- One Bedroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Close To Town
- Available Mid August
- Second Floor Flat
- Unfurnished
- Recently Redecorated
- EPC Rating: D



LET AGREED

MORE NEEDED

Upper Park, Harlow**£1,595 P.C.M**

- Four Bedrooms
- Driveway
- Modern Kitchen/Diner
- AVAILABLE NOW
- Semi Detached
- Unfurnished
- Close To Hospital
- EPC Rating: TBC



LET AGREED

MORE NEEDED

Abbeydale Close, Church Langley**£1,350 P.C.M**

- Three Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Immaculate Home
- Unfurnished
- End Terrace
- Available NOW
- Ground Floor WC
- EPC Rating: C



LET AGREED

MORE NEEDED

The Chase, Newhall**£850 P.C.M**

- One Bedroom
- Decked Courtyard
- Open Plan
- Unfurnished
- Apartment
- Ground Floor
- Allocated Parking
- EPC Rating: B

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CHAIN FREE

£159,995
TAWNEYS ROAD, HARLOW
• One Bedrooms • Chain Free
• First Floor Flat • Close To Shops
• Allocated Parking • EPC Rating: C



CHAIN FREE

£250,000
COWLINS, OLD HARLOW
• Two Bedrooms • Ground Floor Maisonette
• Car Lodge Parking • Chain Free
• Private Cul-De-Sac • EPC Rating: C



NEW PRICE

£260,000
LITTLE BRAYS, HARLOW
• Three Bedrooms • Mid Terrace
• Two Receptions • Chain Free
• Needs Modernisation • EPC Rating: TBC



VACANT

£279,995
TANYS DELL, HARLOW
• Three Bedrooms • Mid Terrace
• Lounge/ Diner • Chain Free
• Cloakroom • EPC Rating: TBC



POTENTIAL

£285,000
MILWARDS, HARLOW
• Three Bedrooms • End Of Terrace
• Large Corner Garden • Lots Of Potential
• Dropped Kerb • EPC Rating: TBC



RESERVE NOW

£290,000 - 375,000
LONDON ROAD, OLD HARLOW
• Two Bedrooms • Some With Terrace
• New Build Apartments • Completion 2019
• Underground Parking • Prime Location



GARAGE

£293,000
ELWOOD, CHURCH LANGLEY
• Two Bedrooms • Immaculately Presented
• Mid Terrace • Kitchen / Diner
• Garage & Parking • EPC Rating: C



NO WORK

£299,995
BARN MEAD, HARLOW
• Three Bedrooms • End Of Terrace
• Rear Extension • Updated Throughout
• No Work Required • EPC Rating: D



NEAR COUNTRISIDE

£299,995
HULL GROVE, HARLOW
• Three Bedroom • Kitchen/Diner
• Ground Floor Wc • End Of Terrace
• Backing On To Fields • EPC Rating: TBC



PLANNING

OIEO £300,000
CHIPPINGFIELD, OLD HARLOW
• Three Bedrooms • Two Receptions
• Needs Modernisation • Semi Detached
• No Onward Chain • EPC Rating: D



GARAGE

£330,000
COBBINS WAY, OLD HARLOW
• Two Bedrooms • Garage & Driveway
• Two Receptions • Semi Detached
• Good Size Garden • EPC Rating: C



REFURBISHED

OIEO £340,000
MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY
• Three Bedrooms • High Spec Kitchen
• Fully Refurbished • Driveway
• EPC Rating: C



POTENTIAL

£343,000
CHIPPINGFIELD, OLD HARLOW
• Three Bedrooms • Popular Location
• Semi Detached • Potential To Extend
• Chain Free • EPC Rating: TBC



PARKING

OIRO £365,000
VICTORIA GATE, CHURCH LANGLEY
• Three Bedrooms • Two Receptions
• Semi Detached • South Facing Garden
• Garage & Driveway • EPC Rating: TBC



TWO PARKING

£375,000
PERRY LANE, NEWHALL
• Three Bedrooms • Downstairs WC
• En Suite To Master • Off Street Parking For Two
• EPC Rating: B



CHAIN FREE

£380,000
THE OXLEYS, OLD HARLOW
• Four Bedrooms • Semi Detached
• Two Bathrooms • No Onward Chain
• Lounge/Diner • EPC Rating: TBC



NEW ON

£385,000
BELFIELD GARDENS, CHURCH LANGLEY
• Four/Five Bedrooms • Two Bathrooms
• Kitchen/Diner • End Terrace
• Driveway • EPC Rating: D



NEW ON

OIRO £400,000
AYNSLEY GARDENS, CHURCH LANGLEY
• Five Bedrooms • Modern Kitchen
• Semi Detached • Three Bathrooms
• Garage & Driveway • EPC Rating: TBC



EXTENDED

£465,000
PENNYMEAD, HARLOW
• Four Bedrooms • Extended
• Two Receptions • Dressing Room
• Driveway • EPC Rating: TBC



NEW ON

£475,000
FORE STREET, OLD HARLOW
• Two Separate Entrances • Development
• Four Bedrooms • Centre Of Town
• Four Receptions • EPC Rating: TBC



COTTAGE

£530,000
HALL GREEN, LITTLE HALLINGBURY
• Four Bedrooms • Detached Cottage
• Two Garages • Chain Free
• EPC Rating: F



HIGH SPEC

£550,000
THE CHASE, NEWHALL
• Chain Free • Three Bathrooms
• Four Bedrooms • Utility Room
• Garage • EPC Rating: C



CHAIN FREE

£895,000
EASTWICK, HERTFORDSHIRE
• Grade II Listed House • Village Location
• Five Bedrooms • Elegantly Restored
• Three Reception Rooms • Just A Mile To The Station



OPEN PLAN

£895,000
GREAT AUGER STREET, NEWHALL
• Detached House • Four Bedrooms
• Bespoke Build • Four Bathrooms
• Double Garage • EPC Rating: B



LOCATION

£950,000
MULBERRY GREEN, OLD HARLOW
• Four Bedrooms • Gardens & Studio
• Three Receptions • Fine Location
• Study / Playroom • EPC Rating: E

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£359,950

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Ladywell Prospect)

Beautifully presented 3 bedroom end of terrace home. Walking distance of train station and town centre. Fitted kitchen, living room, downstairs w.c., 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, enclosed rear garden, allocated parking. Sole agents.



£379,950

BISHOPS STORTFORD (Cox Garden)

Beautifully presented modern 3 bedroom home with an open plan kitchen/dining room, impressive sitting room, downstairs cloakroom, main bathroom plus en-suite to master bedroom, landscaped garden, single garage, parking to rear. Sole agents.



£380,000

LITTLE HALLINGBURY (Hatch Green)

3 bedroom semi-detached home with fantastic scope for further development (stp). Huge front and rear gardens, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, large utility downstairs w.c., 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, driveway and parking. Sole agents.



£415,000

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

2-3 bedroom Grade II listed semi-detached thatched cottage with parking and a south facing garden. Overflowing with charm and character throughout. Offered chain free. 2 mins walk to station. Sole agents.



£425,000

HATFIELD HEATH

It's a tad! Truly deceptively spacious 4 bedroom cottage in a village centre location. Convenient for school, shops and restaurants etc. No onward chain. Lots of space and must be viewed. Sole agents.



£449,950

OLD HARLOW (High Street)

3 bedroom character home in a central position. Walking distance of train station. Sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, study, conservatory, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, landscaped rear garden, parking for 2 cars. No onward chain.



O.I.E.O. £465,000

NEWHALL (High Chase)

Beautifully presented modern family home with 4 good size bedrooms, large open plan living space, bi-folding doors, balcony, roof terrace, sunny garden, double carport. NHBC guarantee remaining.



£539,950

SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Leat Close)

4 bedroom semi-detached family home with a large living room, separate dining room, good size kitchen, en-suite to master bedroom, driveway, garage, fully double glazed and a landscaped garden. Village centre position. Sole agents.



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WHEELS

ROAD TEST: Jeep Wrangler Sahara by David Ward

A TRUE ICON

AT A GLANCE

- **Model:** Jeep Wrangler Sahara Four-Door
- **Price:** £50,000 (est)
- **Engine:** 2.2-litre 197bhp four cylinder turbocharged diesel
- **Transmission:** Eight-speed automatic gearbox
- **Performance:** 0 to 62mph 9.6 seconds, top speed 112mph
- **Fuel Consumption:** 35.8mpg
- **CO2:** 202g/km
- **Insurance Group:** TBA
- **Warranty:** Five years/75,000 miles
- **On Sale:** From September



The word icon is all too often overused in the motoring world but when it comes to a genuine off-road car then Jeep defines it, standing head and shoulders above any rival makes and has done so for almost the past 80 years.

Ever since the first Willys Jeep was built and used in WWII by the US army, the 4x4 has survived and prospered in the commercial world and become, particularly in its homeland, the most versatile and practical go-anywhere vehicle of its kind.

In recent times we have seen here the vast growth of 4x4 Sports Utility Vehicles but none can compete on the same off-road terms as the Jeep which remains totally versatile enough to plough unhindered through deep gorges or up steep rain sodden mountain tracks and the like.

Despite a broadening of the Jeep Wrangler range in particular right-hand-drive models have never been a big seller in this country – a few hundred models a year – but with Jeep now under the control of the Fiat empire and a new model arriving hopes are high this will see an increase in UK sales.

The problem for UK Jeep bosses is that they have yet to finalise both specifications and prices on the basic three Wrangler versions coming here – the entry-level Sport, the more up-market and posher four-door Sahara and the out-and-out adventurer two-door Rubicon version.

The problem is that in comparison to

rivals like the Range Rover equivalent they will be expensive – the two-door Sport is expected to start at around £44,000 while the range-topping Rubicon is likely to top the £55,000 mark.

So in reality most buyers will probably already be fans of the Wrangler anyway and aware of its heritage while Fiat UK will be hoping it will also lure would be new drivers to the world of serious 4x4s as against the SUV 'softies' preference models of which there are so many around nowadays.

There will be a choice of just two engines – a two-litre turbocharged 268bhp petrol or a 2.2-litre turbocharged 197bhp diesel – with either an eight-speed automatic gearbox or a six-speed manual.

Clearly here the most likely choice will be the diesel with that impressive automatic gearbox and in the four-door Sahara version (driven here) which is likely to top around £50,000 when the models start arriving here early this Autumn.

The basics of the Wrangler remain much as before with its still American style body mounted on a steel frame with two axles attached but both two- and four-door body shells and the mechanics underneath have been subtly changed and improved.

There's the big, some would perhaps say somewhat ugly seven slot grille and circular shaped headlights at the front – but again so Jeep Wrangler-like – and some smarter rear light clusters give it a new dimension at the rear.

Inside there's still that great high driver's position but the interior has been smartened up with softer-touch materials on the surrounds yet still durable while the controls and dials are well laid out and easy for the driver to use as is the touch screen which varies in size depending on the model.

Down below is there's the low ratio gearbox for using in those tough off-road drives plus there's also various auxiliary plug socks which owners can use when adding a number of options on board.

For the diehard off-road Wrangler fans opting for the Rubicon then they can easily remove either doors by a simple one-hand lift operation and also take out the front windscreen and put them all in the boot – a symbolic gesture back to the days of the Willys Jeep!

Freedom and choice remains the key word for any Wrangler buyer with a choice of three different types of roof – from canvas to hardtop – and inside they all have today's mod cons on board such as LED lights, AppleCarPlay and Android Auto plus safety features like blind spot monitoring and rear cross path detection and more.

Driving the Sahara diesel on normal roads and it's vastly much quieter and all round more refined than the old model making it more extremely civilised to drive but naturally it comes into its own climbing up and down rain-soaked, deep gouged rough tracks in the foothills of the Austrian Alps as experienced on its press debut.

It's quite remarkable how both the Sahara and the shorter length Rubicon just treated such horrendously difficult terrain with total contempt and easily completing a severely difficult off-road course over in an hour and a half without blinking.

At the end of the day Fiat knows that this Wrangler will not be at the top of the genuine 4x4 off-roaders sales list but it should attract non-Jeep converts who want something different from the current batch of up-market big SUVs on the market.

One thing is certain that none of them would have been able to complete the mountain side test drive Jeep laid on for the new Wrangler launch – so anyone looking for that kind of weekend adventure should try this new Jeep out.

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WHEELS

FIRST DRIVE BMW X4 by Chris Russon

TURNING UP THE HEAT

BMW is turning up the heat in the SUV market with an all-new X4 model that's out to rival the Porsche Macan.

Priced from £42,900 the coupe version of the Bavarian car maker's is not cheap but is right on the money compared to the opposition.

In high performance xDrive M40 guise it outguns the Macan in all but fuel economy although at some £55,000 the M versions are around £6,000 more expensive.

More competitively priced are the X4 M Sport models which cost from £45,600 and come with 2.0-litre diesel engines developing 190bhp which results in a 0 to 60 acceleration of eight seconds and a maximum of 132mph.

As such, and for some £3,000 more than it takes to get into a similarly powered

X3, you get a smoothly styled model that is right in the middle of BMW's SUV line up. With a new look all round the latest X4 sits around half-an-inch lower but more importantly is almost three inches longer at 15ft 6in and at 6ft 5ins wide is now exactly the same width as the Macan.

Boot space is unchanged at 500 litres but there's more room inside and with BMW's new-looking grille and larger diameter wheels the latest X4 looks the part.

It is also rather good to drive as we discovered putting an xDrive 20d M Sport through its paces in the Cotswolds.

On the road the X4 is surprisingly quiet and refined as it goes about its business and the drive is on the sporty side with minimal roll when cornering.

Mated to an eight-speed automatic transmission and



with all X4s being four-wheel-drive it is a very capable vehicle that can tackle all road conditions with confidence.

Fuel economy is rated at 50.4mpg with emissions of 146g/km and we managed to average a creditable 42 to the

gallon driving normally.

Standard kit on M Sport models includes sports seats at the front, a semi digital instrument cluster and BMW's Professional navigation system operated either via a wide touchscreen or the i-Drive controls.

It sits on 19-inch alloys which did not appear to unsettle it in any fashion and comes with a full gamut of driver aids.

The car we tried also came with a head-up display and gesture control as part of a technology pack that added £1,690 to the price while other options included adaptive LED headlights, a panoramic sunroof and adaptive sports suspension.

Factor in a Harman Kardon sound system and BMW's Driver Assistant Plus which includes lane departure, blind spot monitoring and a surround-view camera among other options and the total cost of the vehicle topped out at £57,255.

That's a premium price in anyone's book – but then the X4 is a premium model in no uncertain terms.

In mighty M40 specification the X4 comes

with either a 3.0-litre diesel or petrol engine developing 326bhp as the M40d or 354 for the M40i.

Those engines give the car a sub-five second acceleration time and that betters the Macan by some margin, although the Porsche is slightly more economical by a couple of miles per gallon on official figures.

At the moment the M40i is the only petrol offering in the X4 range which not only demonstrates BMW's confidence in its diesel engines but in M Sport guise is a most competent all-rounder and vastly improved.

In the four years since the original X4 hit the scene some 200,000 have rolled off the production line at BMW's Spartanburg factory in the United States – the newcomer looks well set to build on that.

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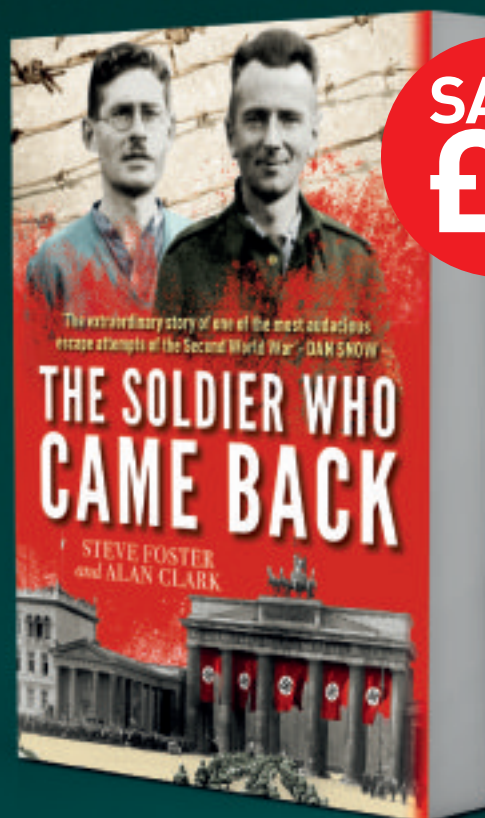
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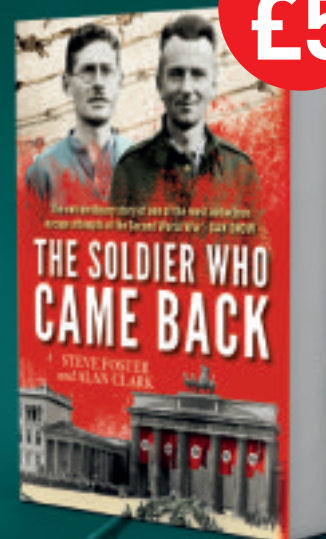
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Essex County Council
(Footpath 172 & Bridleway 169, Harlow)
(Temporary Prohibition of Use) (No.2) Order 2018
Notice is hereby given that the Essex County Council intends, not less than seven days from the date of this notice, to make the above Order under section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
Effect of the order: To temporarily close that length of Footpath 172 & Bridleway 169, Harlow in the District of Harlow as specified:

Footpath/Bridleway	Description	Alternative Route
Footpath 172, Harlow	From its junction with Burley Hill to its junction with Bridleway 169, Harlow.	Along Burley Hill until it joins Kiln Lane to the north.
Bridleway 169, Harlow	From its junction with Footpath 172, north for a distance of approximately 115 metres to its junction with Kiln Lane.	Alternative route will be a temporary route running adjacent to Bridleway 169 within the site.

The closures are scheduled to commence on 27 July 2018 to 1 October 2018 or where appropriate signs are showing and weather permitting, and is required for the safety of the public and workforce while construction of an earth attenuation bund is undertaken in the green space immediately east of Oaktree Gardens, Harlow. The bund will protect up to 41 properties from internal flooding in a 1:20yr (5% AEP) flood event.
The Order will come into effect on 27 July 2018 and may continue in force for 6 months or until the works have been completed, whichever is the earlier.

(Abercrombie Way, District of Harlow)
(Parking and Waiting) (Amendment No.14) Order 201*
Puffin Crossing – Abercrombie Way, Harlow
Notice is hereby given that the Essex County Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1), 4(2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49, 53 and Part III & IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
Effect of the order: To revoke part of the existing 'No Stopping at Any Time' (Clearway) restrictions on the following length of Abercrombie Way in the Town of Harlow in the District of Harlow to allow for a Puffin Crossing and associated zigzag lines to be installed:

Road	Description
Abercrombie Way, Harlow	WEST SIDE: From a point approximately 18.7 metres north of its junction with the extended northern kerbline of Penlow Road, north for a distance of approximately 23.9 metres. EAST SIDE: From a point approximately 19.2 metres north of its junction with the extended northern kerbline of Penlow Road, north for a distance of approximately 37.7 metres.

This Order will be incorporated into The District of Harlow (On Street) (Waiting, Loading and Parking) (Consolidation) Order 2011 by substituting tile numbers TL440 080, TL440 087, TL440 090 revision 1 to revision 2, TL440 082 revision 1 to revision 3, TL440 085 revision 2 to revision 3.
Notice is also hereby given that under Sections 23 and 25 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 the Essex County Council proposes to establish a Puffin Crossing on the following length of Abercrombie Way, Harlow located as follows:-
Puffin Crossing

Road	Description
Abercrombie Way, Harlow	The centre line of the proposed Puffin Crossing will be approximately 40 metres north of its junction with Penlow Road.

Zig Zags for the crossing will be installed on Abercrombie Way, Harlow at the following locations
WEST SIDE:
i. From a point joining the northern line of the puffin crossing, in a northerly direction for approximately 4.5 metres (2 sets of zig zags)
ii. From a point joining the southern line of the puffin crossing, in a southerly direction for a distance of approximately 17 metres (8 sets of zig zags)
EAST SIDE:
From a point joining the northern line of the puffin crossing, in a northerly direction for a distance of approximately 17.4 metres (8 sets of zig zags)
From a point joining the southern line of the puffin crossing, in a southerly direction for a distance of approximately 17.5 metres (8 sets of zig zags)
Further details: A copy of the draft Order, a copy of this notice, plans illustrating the proposal, a copy of the order to be amended and a Statement of Reasons may be examined at all reasonable hours at Network Assurance, A2 Annexe Seax House, Victoria Road South, Chelmsford; Harlow District Council, Civic Centre, The Water Gardens, Harlow and at Harlow Library, The High, Harlow.
These documents can also be viewed on the Essex Highways website: <http://www.essexhighways.org/Transport-and-Roads/Highway-Schemes-and-Developments/Traffic-Regulation-Orders.aspx>
Objections and Representations: Anyone who wishes to object to the proposed waiting restriction Order or make representations to the proposed pedestrian crossing proposal should send the grounds for their objection in writing to 'TRO Comments, Network Assurance, A2 Annexe Seax House, Victoria Road South, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 1QH' or e-mail to TrafficRegulation.Order@essexhighways.org quoting reference TRAF/6773, by 10 August 2018.
Dated: 19 July 2018
Essex County Council, Network Assurance, A2 Annexe, Seax House, Victoria Road South, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1QH
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(London Road, Harlow)
(Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2018
Notice is hereby given that the Essex County Council has made the above Order under section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
Effect of the order: To temporarily close that length of London Road, Harlow in the District of Harlow, from London Road Roundabout to Gilden Way Roundabout, a distance of approximately 777m. The closure is scheduled to commence on 23rd July 2018 for 61 days, or where stated on a valid permit (EP02231002247 – Kaybridge Construction). The scheduled dates may vary for these works with appropriate signs showing and/or displayed on www.roadworks.org. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce while new junction and traffic calming measure works are undertaken by Kaybridge Construction.
An alternative route is available via London Road, Church Langley Way, A414, First Avenue and vice versa.
The Order came into effect on 12th July 2018 and may continue in force for 18 months or until the works have been completed, whichever is the earlier.

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Hawks kick-off campaign with Whitehawk trip

HARLOW Town will kick off their Bostik League Premier Division season with an away trip to the south coast, visiting Whitehawk on August 11. Their first home game will be

the following Tuesday when Burgess Hill visit the McCullochs Arena. The eagerly anticipated return of the Bishop's Stortford rivalry will take place on August Bank

Holiday Monday, with Harlow Town the hosts. The return match will be on Boxing Day. Harlow Town face a tough run in at the end of the season with Bognor Regis, Enfield Town and

Margate among the final games, including an Easter Monday trip to AFC Hornchurch. The Hawks beat AFC Sudbury 3-1 in a pre-season friendly on Saturday with Syrus Gordon,

Tim Obisanya and Charlie Weatherhead getting on the scoresheet. This Saturday Harlow host National League South side Chelmsford City.

Bates sets the pace in league race

HARLOW Running Club competed in the Midweek League Road Race Mob Match at Welwyn Garden City in a 10k race involving runners from all three divisions of the league.

After the race there was a presentation ceremony where runners were awarded trophies for their performances over the four race series.

Harlow picked up three individual Division Two awards – Sharon Wright finished runner-up in the Open women's category, Graham Saville was runner-up in the Vet 60 and Jim Bates won the Vet 70 category.

On the night, out of 19 teams, the men finished ninth and the women 11th, and overall Harlow were tenth.

In the women's race Wright finished in 11th place out of 163 finishers in 42min 35sec.

Laura Prime was 54th in 51:58 (PB), Hannah Wenlock 68th in 54:09, Janice Page 78th in 55:10, Helen Brunton 162nd in 1hr 15min 45sec and Teresa Warren 163rd in 1.15:45.

In the men's race, Craig Segal was 42nd out of 319 finishers in a superb 37:55. He was followed home by: Martin Westley 70th in 39:10, Colin Baker 79th in 39:56, Josh Shelton 86th in 40:21, Danny McCree 91st in 40:48, Andy Terrell 105th in 41:46, Lee Webber 124th in 42:49, Jon Steadman 143rd in 44:00, John Bull 168th in 45:59, Graham Saville 191st in 48:03, John Tennant 194th in 48:19, Colin Moody 209th in 49:19, Martin Elven 211th in 49:28, Steve Warren 215th in 49:37, Jamie Jephcott 221st in 50:21.

Marc Witham 223rd in 50:33, Andy Smith 239th in 51:58, Tom Ruszkowski 240th in 51:58, Jim Bates 253rd in 53:29, Chris McCarthy 265th in 54:55, Paul Watts 283rd in 57:28, Roy Steven 284th in 57:28, David Page 288th in 57:37, Bill Brunton 289th in 57:40 and Hossein Erfani 315th in 1.10:19.

Off road

Meanwhile, at the off road Orion Forest 5 Mile race at Chingford, Martin Westley finished 20th place out of 110 finishers in 32:43.

Martyn Coulter was 36th in 34:58, Sean Flynn 55th in 39:22, Dave Page 86th in 45:10, Janice Page 95th in 47:27, Debbie Smith 98th in 47:49 and Liz Roberts 109th in 59:34.

At the Thorpe Park standard distance triathlon (1.5k open water swim, 40k bike ride, 10k run), Paul Schroder finished in 206th place out of 318 finishers in 2.38:40, a PB by 12 minutes.

Martyn Coulter finished in 62nd place out of 118 finishers at the Grays sprint distance triathlon (400m swim, 20k bike ride, 5k run) in 1.19:58 and Louise Coates was 110th in 1.42:18.

At the North Weald Race for Life 5K, Wendy Schroder finished in 26:12.

Lambert's gold at international meet

Four Harlow Judo Club members make visit to Kent

FOUR Harlow Judo Club players took part in the Kent International at Medway Park which saw 500 competitors doing battle over two days of competition.

This high level event attracted players of all levels from all over the UK and was attended by clubs from abroad, with a high standard of judo on display.

In the Yellow belt section, George Franks, aged 11, was up first in his weight group, which was one of several popular categories.

He won his first rounds but dropped to the repechage where he lost the next fight, which knocked him out of medal contention. However Franks finished in a very respectable fifth place.

Sam Cobbin-Brown, 11, had the added disadvantage of going up a weight category and competing against older players.

Despite this he battled hard to hold his own and came away with a well-earned bronze medal.

Tough

In the Orange/Green belt section, the club was represented by Owen Lambert (12) and Lewis Carter (14).

Both boys had tough groups and encountered players from a large Dutch contingency in their respective sections.

Lambert dominated his group with mature judo and superb techniques, taking five straight wins to claim the gold medal.

Carter had a great start in his campaign and again showed the maturity of his judo techniques making it through to the crossover.



Harlow Judo Club players (from left) George Franks, Sam Cobbin-Brown, Owen Lambert and Lewis Carter

He lost the next two rounds and was knocked out of medal contention, but also finished in a creditable fifth place.

Coach Mick Ellis said: "It was a very tough competition for all players but I am very pleased with the team's overall performance.

"They all fought really well, showed great technique and spirit and did their best, which is what I ask of them."

Lambert was part of the North-

ern Home Counties area team at the British National Team Championships held in Cardiff.

He was one of six boys selected from Essex, Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, Hertfordshire and Oxfordshire to represent the Pre-Cadets Boys team in individual weight categories.

It was an action packed day and the boys were on top form each winning their rounds respect-

ively to make it through to the semi-finals despite being a player down and giving away a win to the other teams.

Here, they had to beat Scotland, which they did with ease taking them through to the final round against reigning champions, London area.

However, they couldn't continue their winning streak, and finished a well-deserved and hard fought second place.

The Pre-Cadet boys fought their hearts out but unfortunately, London area proved to be the stronger team.

Owen fought tremendously well with some explosive judo and the overall Pre-Cadet boys' team was very strong.

The judo club, based in Foldcroft, are currently looking for sponsorship. Contact Gill Ellis on gillianellis48@yahoo.co.uk or 07976 955905 for more details.

Sorry Town hit rock bottom with Loughton loss

A POOR batting performance saw Harlow Town drop to bottom place in Shepherd Neame Essex Cricket League Division Two at Loughton on Saturday.

Winning the toss and electing

to bat, Town, with all their top batsmen available, could only post 137 runs, far short of a par score for the conditions.

Only Jibran Azam (56) found some form, and Neil Gladwin

(23) and Aaron Simpson (12) were the only others to reach double figures.

With half the season now completed, Town need to find some consistent batting to avoid

the prospect of relegation.

Loughton lost five wickets in the run chase, with Dan Farmer (2-34), Sam Wilson (1-33) and Jay Lowles (2-7) enjoying success.

This weekend Old

Southendians & Southchurch are the visitors to Ashtree Field, and as they are only two places above Town, it will be vital they get a victory against a relegation rival.